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Editorials

WELCOME, RABBI ISSERMAN

To the Holy Blossom Congregation of Toronto I wish to extend my heartiest congratulations on its call to Rabbi Ferdinand Isserman, the assistant Rabbi of the Rodeph Sholom Congregation, Philadelphia. To Rabbi Isserman I want to express my best wishes on his acceptance of the call to a useful career of service to this congregation, and the whole Jewish and non-Jewish community, of which he will become an integral member.

The Holy Blossom Congregation is one of the old and respected congregations of Canada. Its history is one of true Jewishness, and loyal Canadianism, both of which it has fittingly fused and synchronized.

The Jewish community of Toronto which Rabbi Isserman comes to serve, is large but young. It is just passing out of adolescence into early manhood. It has all the advantages and disadvantages of youth. It is virile and enterprising, but inexperienced. It requires visioned leadership and expert guidance. As a Jewish community it is signally without the fences between the elements—Orthodox, Reform, Zionist and non-Zionist—which are all too prevalent in older communities. Here a Jew is a Jew. Only one distinction is made, and that is between the responsible and responsive Jew on the one hand, and the indifferent, irresponsible Jew on the other.

A rabbi in Toronto is not limited in his scope of usefulness to the four walls of his congregation or his own membership. To him are open the broad highways which lead into all parts of Jewish communal life. His activities need not even be confined to the Jewish community. He will be welcome and ever sought for by the non-Jewish community of which the Jewish community is but an integral functioning part.

To Rabbi Isserman there is open as wide a field of usefulness as his splendid abilities can command. He is by training and outlook fitted for his opportunities. In welcoming him, may I express the wish that he fare no worse than those who preceded him. As for doing better, he has but to hitch his wagon to a star.

MY VISION OF CANADA

Chums

I

It is difficult for me on the eve of my departure from Canada to say farewell—and yet the time has come when I must say adieu.

I have been the recipient of much genuine hospitality from non-Jew as well as Jew, during my five years' residence here. It has been true British and Canadian hospitality. British countries have always welcomed the Jew, and like Abraham's tent, about which our sages tell, they have always been open on all four sides to the wandering people, weary at heart and sore of foot.

Nurtured on the same life-giving springs of spirituality as have the Jews—the Bible—the British people have as part of their political heritage the principle, "Ger ka toshov." ("Ye shall treat the sojourner as the native.") Under the British flag the Jew enjoys full rights and liberty with all other citizens. If British countries have a high type of Jew—d'Israeli, Montefiore, Rufus Isaacs, Herbert Samuel, Montague, Alfred Mond, General Monash, to mention but a few—it is because under the Union Jack the Jew has had full and free opportunities for self-development and self-expression. Every country has the Jews it deserves. If in my own small and humble way I have been able to be of some service to Canada, it is because I have received every encouragement and opportunity.

I came here five years ago, a sojourner and a stranger. Under the protecting wing of Canada's hospitality, I gradually found that the roots of my being were becoming integrated into Canada's soul and soil, and just as I was about to be naturalized, the call from my native country came to return home. The forces of assimilation are always most effective when the sojourner is made to feel at home, and not constantly reminded that he is but a stranger because his cradle, by the accident of birth, stood on other soil. The naturalized citizen always has at least this in his favour, that his loyalty to the land of his adoption is a matter of deliberate choice instead of a matter of accident of birth.

My position at present is best summed up in the story of the young couple who came to spend two days of their honeymoon in a small southern city. When they got off the train, an old negro man, who served as porter, runner, chief bell-boy and general factotum for the hotel, greeted them at the depot. He took charge of their hand baggage and led the way for them to an ancient vehicle. As he drove them along the street, the young husband took him into their confidence: "Now look here, Uncle," he said, "we don't want anybody here to know that we've just been married. Probably some of the other guests will speak to you about us and we count on you to throw them off the track."

"Boss," said the old man, "don't you an' de young lady worry. Jest trust me. 'Taint nobody goin' to fin' out by axin' me questions."

But when the pair came down from their room that evening for supper, they found themselves a target for the interested stares of everyone else in the dining room. All eyes were turned in their direction. At the conclusion of a somewhat hurried and decidedly embarrassed meal, the young man hunted up the old negro. "Say," he demanded, "I thought you promised not to give us away, and yet everybody around this hotel is looking at us and grinning." "Boss," said the old negro fervently, "ef dey's learned the truff, dey didn't none of 'em learn it from me—naw, suh!" "Well, did anybody speak to you about us after we registered?" Yas, suh, sever'l." "Did any of them want to know whether we were on our wedding trip?" "Yas, suh, they did." "Well, what did you say to them?" "I sez to 'em: 'Naw, indeedy, them young folks ain't no bridal couple. They's just a couple of chums.'"

Just as I was beginning to believe that I was married to Canada, the call home reminds me that Canada and I are "jest a couple of chums."

There are many things that I have come to love and admire about my "chum" Canada. Many of her institutions and modes of life make a heartfelt appeal to me. As a sojourner I have had the advantage of perspective, which is not always given to those who are close to the picture and its painters.

I return home to the United States an emissary of goodwill and a missionary of better understanding between these two great English-speaking neighbours, whom God has forever decreed to live together. "That which God has joined together let no man tear asunder."

Since I have lived in Canada, the conviction has gradually deepened that the salvation of the world depends on the harmony of the English-speaking peoples of the world. These peoples are the bearers and exponents of a

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Mrs. S. Wagner, Bernard Apartments, entertained at four tables of bridge and tea in honor of Mrs. Thomas Silver, who is leaving at the end of the month to live in Newark, N.J. Prizes for bridge were won by Mesdames Louis Cohen, B. Balinsky, Marcus Wagner and I. Halfant, of Portland, Maine. Mrs. Marcus Wagner, of Shawinigan Falls, was among the out-of-town guests.

Mrs. M. Leopold, Vendome Avenue, entertained at a linen shower and seven tables of mah jongg, Tuesday, May 19, in honour of her niece, Miss Sadye Lightstone, a bride-elect of June 18. Covers were laid for forty-five guests.

Mrs. Myer Dobrofsky, McCulloch Avenue, Outremont, has returned from a four weeks' stay at Mount Clemens and Detroit. Myer Dobrofsky spent a week at Mount Clemens and they returned home together.

Mrs. F. R. Burman, Hutchison Street, has left on an extended trip to New York, Atlantic City and the Eastern States. While in Watertown, N.Y., she will visit her son Mark.

Miss Merle Silver has left to make her home in Newark, N.J.

Miss Bluma Soufrine, Hutchison Street, who has spent several weeks in Toronto, is expected home this week.

Mrs. I. Kert and granddaughter, Esther, have returned from Hollywood, Cal., to spend the summer with their family.

Miss Ruth Brotman was a guest at the luncheon given by the Canadian Authors' Association in honour of the National Committee of Canadian Authors, May 23.

Miss Sarah Fischer, of Montreal, will sing at the Wembly Exhibition on May 23, the proceeds of the concert to be used to raise funds for a memorial to the British nurses who fell in the war. Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyle, and the Dowager Lady Dufferin, will preside. On May 27 another charity affair will be given by the Duchess of Wellington, at which Miss Fischer will sing.

Nat W. Jacobs was host at a reception in honour of the retiring officers of the Baron de Hirsch Book Club, Thursday, May 21.

Mrs. H. Levy, 335 Edward Charles Street, entertained at tea and bridge on Tuesday, May 26, in honour of Miss Betty Schwartz, a bride-elect of this month. Prizes for bridge were won by Mesdames J. Lonn, I. Shapiro and M. Godel. Mrs. Phil Fainer assisted in serving.

Moe Ratner, Marlowe Avenue, has left for New York, to remain for some time.

J. Shapiro, Addington Avenue, has returned from Toronto, where he spent a week.

Mrs. S. Tesher, Mrs. B. Rosenthal and Bill Freedman, New York, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harris Latsky.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Cummings and family, 225 Wilson Avenue, are leaving Montreal to live in Miami, Fla. Mrs. Cummings, Miss Gertrude and Edward will visit Burlington, Vt., the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Agel. Mr. Cummings will join them later when they will leave for Miami.

Mrs. C. Shane and Mrs. J. A. Ducoste entertained on Saturday, June 6, at a kitchen shower at the Hotel Wilhemnia, in honour of Miss Bee Taffert.

Mrs. W. Taffert, Northcliffe Avenue, will entertain at a tea and bridge at the Mount Royal Hotel, on Sunday, June 7, in honour of Miss Bee Taffert.

Mrs. S. Zaunderman and son, of Boston, Mass., is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenbaum, Mt. Royal West.

Miss Lily Kestenbaum, St. Urbain Street, entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honour of Miss Adela Hirschhorn, a bride-elect.

Mrs. N. Wegler, Lajoie Avenue, entertained at a linen shower and ten tables of bridge, on Tuesday, May 26, in honour of Miss Adela Hirschhorn, a bride-elect. Mesdames D. Pearson and M. Seidman assisted in receiving sixty guests. Bridge prizes were won by Mesdames A. Rothschild, M. Seidman, H. B. Albert, S. S. Albert, D. Pearson, A. Silverman, J. Rosenberg, A. Rosenbaum, H. Taffert and Miss Lily Kestenbaum.

Miss Ethel Levine, of Boston, Mass., spent the week-end with her sister and brother-in-law, Mrs. and J. Rosenbaum, Mount Royal Avenue West.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Neumann, Cote St. Antoine Road, entertained at a summer house dance on Thursday, May 28, in honour of Miss Rosetta Schleifer, a bride of this month. Misses Bertha, Marjorie and Elaine Neumann and Mrs. Leo Neumann assisted in receiving. The guests were Misses Elizabeth Kaufman, Sally Solomon, Lilian Cohen, Bessie Cohen, Reba Sloves, Reva Lewis, Edna Silver, Miriam Carter, Vera Guilaroff, Golda Shaitleman, Rose Shaer, Lena Ashkaloney, Rosetta Schleiffer, Bessie Miller, Libbie Miller and Dr. Myer Notkin, Dr. Louis Notkin, Dave Notkin, S. Notkin, Louis Brodie, Nick Grobstein, Myer Berson, Abe Pesner, Harry Raginsky, Maurice Brodie, Sidney Lehberg, Harry Shapiro, Harry Freedman, Morris Singer, Harold Neumann, Ossip Perelma, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neumann, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rivenovitch, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Garfinkle, Mr. and Mrs. H. Shleiffer, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Leighter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brodie, Mr. and Mrs. B. Brodie.

Mrs. Maurice Gordon and daughter, Gwendolyn, of New York, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Gordon, Tupper Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Samuels, Misses Adeline Samuels, Theodore Stone, Harold Davis, all of Chicago; Sidney Jarcho, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Freiman and Miss Dorothy Freiman, of Ottawa; Miss Sadie Shenkman, of Ottawa; and Arthur Koff, of Malone, who are in Montreal to attend the Samuel-Talpis wedding, are stopping at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Miss Celia Sinclair, of Ottawa, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sinclair, Villeneuve Avenue West, has returned.

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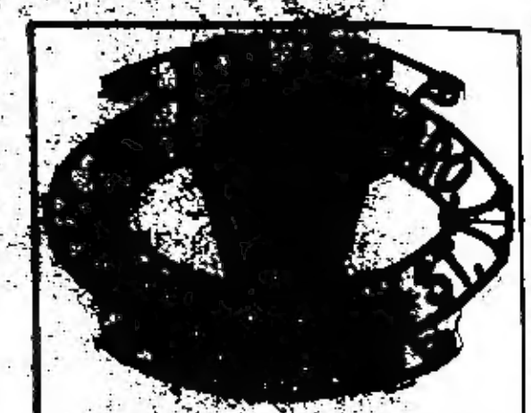

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Miss Lil Herscovici has returned home from New York, where she spent the winter studying costume designing and fine arts.

Miss Sara Herscovici is back from New York and other points.

Miss Evelyn Sinclair, Villeneuve Avenue West, entertained informally on Friday, May 29, in honour of Miss Celia Sinclair, of Ottawa.

Mrs. N. Gertler, Esplanade Avenue, entertained at a linen shower and bridge on Sunday, May 23, in honour of Miss Bertha Slover, a bride-elect of June. The hostess was assisted in serving by Mesdames M. Kornbluth, O. Galler, S. Slover and Misses Fanny Stober and Eva Slover. Bridge prizes were won by Mesdames H. Schwartz, S. Slover and Miss Florence Freedman. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. A. Markus, Mrs. S. Slover, Misses Bertha and Eva Slover, all of Ottawa.

Mrs. H. Horwitz, Hutchison Street, entertained at a linen shower, on May 27, in honour of her niece, Miss Bernice Levey, a bride-elect of this month. The decorations were carried out in yellow and white. Those who assisted the hostess in serving were Misses Eleanor Horwitz, Ethel Levey, and Mrs. Harry Bloomstone. Mrs. E. N. Levey cut the ices.

Mrs. S. Slover and Misses Bertha and Eva Slover, of Ottawa, were the guests of Mrs. H. Gertler, Esplanade Avenue, last week-end.

Mrs. D. Krupp entertained at a personal shower and bridge on Sunday, May 31, in honour of Miss Bertha Slover, a June bride. Prizes were won by Mesdames N. Shaer, E. Lazare, H. Rudy, N. Slover. Mrs. H. Gertle, Misses Lily Lax and Ida Schwartz, assisted in serving fifty guests.

Mrs. A. Markus, of Ottawa, was the guest of Mrs. J. Freedman, Jeanne Mance Street, last week-end.

Miss Bessie Cohen, Jeanne Mance Street, entertained at a surprise summer dance, in honour of her sister, Ethel, who received her B.S.C. degree at the last convocation. Decorations were carried out in McGill colours. Mrs. I. Cohen and Mrs. E. Garmaise assisted the hostess. Those present were Misses Ethel Cohen, Ethel Coffman, Pearl Freedman, Lil Garmaise, Florence Kaplan, Queenie Klineberg, Frances Levikoff, Helen Lewis, Dolly Osman, Florence Solomon, Alice Silver, Freda Solomon, Isabel Sommer; and Dr. A. Benjamin, Sol Sels, Ernest Freedman, Dr. Harry Glickman, Dr. E. Goldwater, Armand Greenhall, Ed. Gross, Dr. Otto Klineberg, Reg. Jacobs, Phil Myerovitch, Lou Rosen, Dr. Frank Rosenbaum, Dr. Isadore Sheffer, Moe Scherer, Arthur Vineberg, Joe Vineberg and Ben Cohen.

Mrs. A. Tencer, Notre Dame de Grace Avenue, entertained at a supper dance, on Saturday, May 30, in honour of Miss Ethel Lessor, a bride-elect.

Mrs. Max Bernfeld entertained at a dinner, in honour of Miss Vera Guilaroff. Covers were laid for eight.

Mrs. Horace Cohen and son, Thornhill Avenue, will spend the summer at Ivry Nord.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Morris, Dorchester Street West, will occupy a cottage at Lakeside for the summer.

Mrs. Joe Asch, Grosvenor Avenue, is spending some time in Atlantic City.

Mrs. S. Gasco, Nelson Avenue, has returned from New York.

Leo Samuels, of Chicago, was guest of honour at a stag given at the Reform Club, by Max Bernfeld, Sunday, May 31. Those present were Theodore Stone, Chicago; Rubin Stone, formerly of Chicago; Sidney Jarcho, of New York; David Kert, Leo Samuels, Max Bernfeld and Harold Davis, all of Chicago.

Mrs. Jack Victor, Prudhomme Avenue, entertained at five tables of mah jongg and eight tables of bridge, in honour of Miss Ethel Lessor, a bride-elect.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Berlind and family, Elm Avenue, are leaving shortly for New York, to attend the Berlind-Miller marriage.

Miss Belle Rudolph gave a kitchen shower on Thursday, May 21, in honour of Miss Bella Morris.

Misses Dora and Gertrude Dectar entertained at a linen shower on Sunday, May 31, in honour of Miss Ethel Lessor. Assisting them were Misses Bessie Lessor, Lillian Dectar and Dora Dectar. Miss Bessie Herschorn played the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Levitt and sons, Roslyn Avenue, will occupy a cottage at Dorval for the summer.

Peter Merson entertained at a birthday party, in honour of his daughter, Phyllis, on Saturday, May 23. About eighteen children were present.

Mrs. Charles Ripstein, Vendome Avenue, is leaving shortly for New York, to attend the marriage of her brother, Peter Berling, to Miss Mae Miller, June 9.

Miss Sara Michaelson is leaving shortly for Vancouver, B.C., to visit her brother, Richard Michaelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Blumenthal are summering at Pointe Claire.

Miss Anna Klein, Wiseman Avenue, entertained at a kids' party and surprise handkerchief shower, in honour of Miss Martha Maislin, a bride-elect. Those present were Misses Rose Stromberg, Yetta Cooper, Jenne Segall, Anna Shapiro, Amy Silberman, Rose and Mildred Klein, Florence Merson, Esther Frank, Rae Rosenberg, of Atlanta, Ga.; Kate Godinsky, Hattie Ginsberg, Mrs. Sam Fleishman, Mrs. Moe Simon, Misses Amelia Berenbaum, Kate Balinsky, Lily Simon and Mildred Silverman.

Mrs. Jack Rosenberg, Bloomfield Avenue, entertained at a crystal shower, in honour of Miss Anna Selette.

Miss Rae Rosenberg, of Atlanta, Ga., is the guest of Mrs. Henry Rosenberg, Bloomfield Avenue.

Mrs. Mayer C. Ginsberg and sons, of New York, have taken a cottage at Pointe Claire for the summer.

Misses Auerbach, Hutchison Street, sailed by the Regina on June 6, for London. They will visit in Paris before returning home in August.

Ralph Berzan, McNider Avenue, who is associated with The Young Judaea Athletic Association and is leaving Montreal for Detroit, was guest of honour at a farewell party in his honour, Saturday, May 30.

Mrs. Flesig-Wexler and Rose Fagalson, of New York, were in town over the week-end, the guests of Mrs. S. Seigler, De l'Epee Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stewart and daughters, Roslyn Avenue, have taken a cottage at Pointe Claire for the summer.

A drawing of a hand-painted vase took place, Thursday, May 28, at the home of Mrs. S. Pesner. The winning number was held by Mrs. H. Freed. Proceeds went to aid a destitute family.

Miss Anne Marks, St. Famille Street, entertained at bridge and mah jongg, Saturday, May 30, in honour of Miss Ida Liverman, a bride-elect of June. Prizes for bridge were won by Misses Grace Caplansky and C. Greenberg; for mah jongg, by Misses Bertha Neumann and Sadie Fineberg.

Among those who entertained in honour of Miss Mildred Gordon, a bride-elect of this month were Miss

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Elca Vineberg, Prudhomme Avenue, bridge, June 9; Mrs. M. R. Gordon, Sherbrooke Avenue, pantry shower, bridge and mah jongg; Mrs. A. J. Alexandor, Victoria Avenue, linen shower. Mrs. E. Kert, Mrs. D. H. Ballon and Hilda Alexandor assisted in serving. Mesdames A. H. Ralin, J. Garmaise and Sam Guttman will entertain at a theatre party and tea at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, June 11. The hostesses will present Miss Gordon with a crystal set.

Dr. Greenspon who attended the convention of the American Medical Association in Atlantic City, and visited Johns Hopkins Hospital, is expected back in Montreal early in June.

Mrs. J. Miller entertained at a miscellaneous shower on June 7, in honour of Miss Reva Wolox.

Mrs. I. Blackman, Mance Street, entertained at bridge, May 31, in honour of Miss Bee Taffert. Prizes were won by Melvin Chorney and J. Levin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Berman, of Providence, Rhode Island, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. Herman, Clarke Street.

Miss Ethel Schacher entertained, Sunday, May 31. Misses Rose Azeff and Anne Liffshitz, assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. David Zolov, Clarke Street, entertained at a dinner, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. J. Berman, of Providence, R.I., Sunday, May 31.

Mrs. Phil Fainer, Bloomfield Avenue, entertained at tea and bridge, in honour of Mrs. H. Levy, who is leaving for Detroit. Prizes for bridge were won by Mesdames L. Papelbaum, M. Stern, B. Albert, L. Fruchter, and H. Levy. Miss Tobie Schachter assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Friedman and sons, Elm Avenue, are occupying a cottage at Lakeside for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Cohen and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Cohen (nee Rae Abrams, formerly of Omaha, Neb.), are touring to New York to spend a week visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kopstein, Atwater Avenue, have taken a cottage at Pointe Claire for the summer.

Among those who entertained in honour of Miss Vera Guilaroff were Miss Olga Guilaroff, musicale and studio tea, May 17. About twenty-five guests were present. Mrs. E. Guilaroff and Miss Olga Guilaroff poured tea, assisted by Misses Eva Verner, Rose Rosenthal and Eva Guilaroff. On the programme were Miss Mildred Silverman and Miss Jeannette Enzer, pianists; Miss Ray Lightstone and Mrs. Ralph Strassner, songs; Mrs. Louis Stein, recitations; Miss Olga Guilaroff, pianist. Miss Rose Rosenthal gave a china shower and bridge, May 24. Prizes for bridge were won by Miss Leah Kaufman, Mrs. Charles Rosenthal and Mrs. E. Guilaroff.

The Herzl Girls were "at home," May 17, at the home of Miss Freda Cohen, Mount Royal Avenue. Those present were Misses Miriam Baker, Libbie Selinger, Rae and Sara Lazarovitch, Gertrude Silverstein, Freda Cohen, Bessie Levine and Anna Glazer; and Dan Cohen, Abe Steinberg, Lou Freedman, Lester Silverman, Dave Barza, Bernard Cohen, Chas. B. Goldstein, Alex Weisman, Louis Lazarus, Moe Polisuk and Julius London.

Miss Rose Stromberg, De l'Epee Avenue, entertained at a formal house dance, in honour of Miss Martha Maislin, a bride-elect. Guests included Misses Dolly and Queenie Klineberg, Kate Godinsky, Hattie Ginsberg, Esther Bennett, Jennie Segall, Yetta Cooper, Anna Shapiro, Martha Maislin, Fannie Cooper, Sylvia Schwartz, Amelia Berenbaum Mrs. M. Ratner; and Joe Shapim, Sam Schacter, Abe Benjamin, J. Weiner, M. Bennett, L. Gelfin, Otto Klineberg, Phil Myerovitch. Dr. M. Ratner, M. Ratner, I. Docks, G. Berzan, G. Goldwater, B. Hyman and L. Rosen.

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Confirmation services were held at Temple Emanu-El, Sunday, May 31, at 2.30 p.m. Class: Elise Bercovitch, Edward Danson, Molly Darwin, Alice Goldstein, Arthur Silver and Helene Simon. Joint reception by the parents in the Lecture Hall.

Among those complimenting Miss Martha Maislin, a bride-elect, were Misses Amelia and Sonnie Berenbaum, bridge, May 3; Miss Rose Stromberg, formal dance, May 23. Miss Maislin was presented with a pair of candlesticks and bowl to match. Miss Jennie Segall, Durocher Avenue, gave a luncheon on May 25, with covers for twelve. Among those present were Miss Naomi Miller, Mrs. I. Pesner, Misses Sylvia Schwartz, Mabel Maislin, Kate Godinsky, Rose Stromberg, Yetta Cooper, Anna Shapiro, Jennie Segall, Mary Rigler, and Amelia Berenbaum. Miss Anna Klein gave a kids' party and surprise handkerchief shower, May 26; Miss Yetta Cooper, crystal shower, May 17; Misses Anna Shapiro and Amy Silbermann, miscellaneous shower, May 10.

Mrs. Z. Rosen entertained at a tea and bridge, Wednesday, May 27, in honour of Miss Amelia Berenbaum, a bride-elect of June. The guests included Mesdames L. Tucker, S. Cohen, S. Berenbaum, E. Wasserman, of New York; A. Stockman, R. Cohen, D. Golt, R. Orr, A. Brown, I. Brodie, H. Cohen, and the Misses Bertha Scheffer, Bessie Richstone, Lily Arbess, Sonnie Berenbaum, Ethel Gesser, Sarah Silverman, Molly London, Rose Rosen, Mary Rigler and Anna Shapiro. Prizes for bridge were won by Mrs. L. Tucker, Mrs. R. Cohen, and Miss Sonnie Berenbaum. A guest prize of a complete kitchen outfit was presented to Miss Amelia Berenbaum by Mrs. Z. Rosen.

Prior to his leaving Detroit for Montreal, where his marriage to Miss Ethel Lessor took place, June 4, Leslie Weiner was guest of honour at a stag given by A. B. Fineberg and Lewis Roth. Twenty-five guests were present.

Mrs. I. Kaufman, Querbes Avenue, has returned from Detroit.

Miss Bessie Klein, Wiseman Avenue, graduated from the McGill School of Physical Education.

The Herzl Girls gave a hike, Sunday, May 24. Those present were Misses Miriam Baker, Libbie Selinger, Rae and Sara Lazarovitch, Freda Cohen, Anne Glazer, Bessie Levine, Jennie Telger, and Dan Cohen, Lou Freedman, Lester Silverman, Dan Freedman, Chas. Goldstein, Irving Dansiger, Dan Hopperbeim and Joe Arlin.

Mrs. David Salinski and children, of Boston, are spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Tannenbaum, Sherbrooke Street West.

A stag party was given by Muncey A. Fink, 65 Mount Royal Avenue West, in honour of Dr. P. Rabinovitch, who recently graduated at McGill University. Boris Karassik, who appeared recently at the Capitol Theatre, played the violin, accompanied at the piano by Miss Bertha Marcus. Phil Presner and N. Selsky also took part in the musical programme. Refreshments were served by Misses Bertha Marcus, Jennie Abramovitch, Rosalie Zittrer, Sophie Levine and Mrs. H. Marcus. Among those present: Phil. Presner, L. Glazer, Dr. P. Rabinovitch, B. Rabinovitch, D. Selsky, N. Selsky, S. Presner, J. Bronstein, M. Sivlin, S. Goldberg, B. Karassik, I. Cercovitch and I. Solomon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Morrison (formerly Frances Shandorf, of Montreal) are in San Francisco where they will live.

Mrs. Morrison and daughter have just returned from Los Angeles.

MARRIAGES

Kutzman-Maislin

The marriage of Martha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Maislin, to Dr. Ernest A. Kutzman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kutzman, was solemnized Sunday, May 31, at the Mount Royal Hotel, Rabbi H. Abramowitz officiating. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore white satin studded with satin beads, and rhinestones. Her veil of net was arranged in cap effect with cluster of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of tea roses, with shower of lillies-of-the-valley. The maid of honour, Miss Rose Stromberg, wore a gown of ecru net, trimmed with pink bows, and carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses, sweet peas and babies' breath. The bridesmaids were Misses Mabel Maislin, in maize georgette; Anne Shapiro, yellow georgette; Jennie Segall, pale pink georgette; and Yetta Cooper, baby blue georgette. All carried bouquets of sweet peas and babies' breath. Dr. M. Kutzman was best man. The groomsmen were Joe Shapiro, J. Berzan, Dr. R. Docks, Dr. S. Schachter. Mrs. S. Maislin, mother of the bride, wore a gown of black lace, with corsage of American Beauty roses. Mrs. E. Kutzman, mother of the groom, wore a gown of black beaded georgette, with corsage of American Beauty roses. A reception was held for 150 guests. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Kutzman will visit New York and Atlantic City, and on their return will live in Montreal.

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Weiner-Lessor

The marriage of Ethel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lessor, to Leslie Weiner, son of Mrs. F. R. Weiner, of London, Eng., was solemnized, June 4, at Annex Hall, Rabbi Herschorn officiating. Miss Bessie Herschorn, pianist, and Henry Herschorn, 'cellist, played the wedding march. The bride who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white all-over Chantilly lace, and rhinestones. Her veil was arranged in cap effect, with clusters of orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses, with shower of lilies-of-the-valley and babies' breath. The maid of honour, Miss Bessie Lessor, wore orange georgette, with insertions of gold lace, and trimmed with border of ostrich feathers. She carried a bouquet of roses. The bridesmaids were Misses Lillian Lessor, in Nile green georgette, old-fashioned style with silver lace; Gertrude Dectar, yellow georgette with hand-painted designs. Their flowers were roses. Abe Dectar was best man. The groomsmen were Alfred Lessor and Myer Herschorn. Frances Tencer, flower girl, wore yellow crepe de chine, with appliques of yellow and blue ribbon, and carried a basket of sweet peas. Train-bearers were Zelda Lessor, in white net embroidered in pink over blue silk, and Ruth Klein, in pink tulle over pink satin. Both carried baskets of sweet peas. The mother of the bride wore black kitten's ear crepe trimmed with sand lace, and corsage of roses. A reception was held for 100 guests. Mr. and Mrs. L. Weiner left on a boat trip to Buffalo and Detroit, and will live in Detroit. The out-of-town guests were Dr. and Mrs. M. D. Klein, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin, of Ottawa; and Mr. and Mrs. M. Herschorn, of Halifax.

Wallerstein-Shapiro

The marriage of Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Shapiro, to A. Wallerstein, son of Mrs. B. Wallerstein, was solemnized, June 4, at the Bnai Jacob Synagogue, Rabbi Cutler officiating. The bride who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white satin, trimmed with lace. Her veil of lace was arranged in cap effect, with cluster of orange blossoms, and her flowers were tea roses, with shower of lilies-of-the-valley and babies' breath. The maid of honour, Miss Fanny Shapiro, wore mauve satin, trimmed with yellow roses, and carried roses in pale shades. Jack Heft was best man. Bridesmaids were Misses A. Shapiro, R. Saltzman, F. Atcovitch, and T. Azeff. All wore gowns of pastel shades, and carried roses and sweet peas. The groomsmen were S. Schleifer, L. Shapiro, A. Abramowitz and A. Goldman. The flower girls were Molly Schleifer, in a frock of pale pink crepe, and Sophie Shobb, pale pink; and Bessie Crasensky, white crepe. All carried baskets of sweet peas. Moses Crasensky, in a suit of white satin, was page boy. The mother of

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the bride wore black beaded gown, with corsage of roses; the mother of the groom, a black beaded gown, with corsage of roses. Mr. and Mrs. A. Wallerstein left for Quebec and New York. Mr. and Mrs. Wallerstein will live in Montreal.

Roter-Mendels

The marriage of Tillie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mendels, to Ben Roter, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Roter, was solemnized at the Bnai Jacob Synagogue, Sunday, May 31, Rabbi Berger officiating. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white kitten's ear crepe with Chantilly lace, set off by silver ribbon. Chantilly lace formed her veil in cap effect and it was trimmed with pearls. She carried a bouquet of roses and shower of lilies-of-the-valley and babies' breath. Miss Sylvia Roter, maid of honour, wore a gown of white georgette, trimmed with silk lace, and carried roses and babies' breath. The bridesmaids were Miss Gertrude Bazar, in white satin, trimmed with silk fringe and corsage of silver grapes; Miss Sarah Poriles, white satin, trimmed with ostrich feathers; and Miss Pauline Zuckerman, all beaded white georgette. They carried bouquets of roses and sweet peas. The best man was Nat Freedman, of New York. Groomsmen were William Berbrier, Sol Liffshitz and Charlie Gelfand. The flower girl was Doretta Finegold, in pink georgette, with bonnet to match and she carried a basket of sweet peas in pastel shades. The out-of-town guests included Nat Freedman, New York; Mr. and Mrs. I. Roter and Mr. and Mrs. I. Epstein, of Toronto; Harry Roth, Scranton, Pa.; and Joe Simons, of New York. A reception was held for seventy-five couples. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Roter will live on Laval Avenue.

Baboushkin-Cohen

The marriage of Stella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Cohen, and Hyman Baboushkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Baboushkin, was solemnized at Annex Hall, Tuesday, June 2, Rabbi Berger officiating. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white georgette with bodice beaded in rhinestones and bordered with ostrich feathers. Her veil was draped in cap effect with cluster of orange blossoms, and her bouquet was of pink roses, with shower of sweet peas. The maid of honour, Miss Minnie Cohen, wore a georgette gown of pastel shades, and carried a Colonial bouquet. The bridesmaids were: Misses Lily Baboushkin, tangerine gown beaded in rhinestones; Ida Baboushkin, peach georgette, trimmed with borders of white fur; Anna Fagan, gown of peach georgette, with marabou trimming; May Horowitz, pink beaded georgette. Their bouquets were of roses and sweet peas. The ring-bearer, Harry Braunstein, wore a Lord Fauntelroy suit of black satin. The flower girl, Miss Ethel Braunstein, was in a pink georgette frock and wore a wreath of French flowers in her hair. She carried a basket of roses and sweet peas. The best man was Isadore Davis. The groomsmen were C. Berbrier, Moe Miller, M. Leibovitch and Jack Collick. Mrs. M. J. Cohen, mother of the bride, wore a gown of black satin, draped, with a buckle of rhinestones, and a corsage of mauve sweet peas and roses, with hat to match her gown. Mrs. S. G. Baboushkin, mother of the groom, wore black georgette gown with fur border, and corsage of mauve sweet peas, and roses, with hat to match her gown. Two hundred and fifty guests were received later. Mr. and Mrs. H. Baboushkin will live on Hutchison Street.

Samuels-Talpis

The marriage of Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Talpis, to Leo Samuels, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Samuels, Chicago, was solemnized Sunday, May 31, at seven o'clock, at the Mount Royal Hotel, Rabbi H. Abramowitz officiating. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white chiffon, beaded in rhinestones. Her veil was arranged in turned-up cap effect of lace and tulle. She carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses, and shower of lillies-of-the-valley. The matron of honour, Mrs. David Kert, wore Nile green chiffon, trimmed with orchids, and carried a bouquet of Columbia roses and sweet peas. The bridesmaids were Misses Florence Ballon, in green georgette; Stella Park, coral georgette; Florence Samuels, yellow georgette; Adeline Samuels, pale green georgette; Beatrice Glickman, peach georgette; Evelyn Rudolph, green georgette. All wore hats to match and carried bouquets of sweet peas in pastel shades. Theodore Stone, of Chicago, was best man; ushers were Harold Davis, of Chicago; Arthur Koff, Malone, N.Y., and Herbert Glickman. Mrs. Talpis, mother of the bride, wore black beaded net; with corsage of American Beauty roses. Mrs. Samuels, mother of the groom, wore black beaded georgette, with corsage of American Beauty roses. Miss Adeline Samuels sang. A reception was held for 300 guests. Mr. and Mrs. Samuels will visit the Berkshire Mountains, and on their return will live in Chicago. The out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Albert Samuels, Chicago; Misses Adeline and Florence Samuels, Theodore Stone and Harold Davis, all of Chicago; Sidney Jarcho, New York; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Frieman and Miss Dorothy Frieman, of Ottawa; Miss Sadie Shenkman, Ottawa; and Arthur Koff, Malone, N.Y.

APPROACHING MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. M. Selette announce that the marriage of their eldest daughter, Ann Sylvia, to Joseph L. Fickler, will take place June 14, at 5.30 p.m., at the Windsor Hotel.

The marriage of Miss Ruth Woloz, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Woloz, of Montreal, to Jacob Miller, 442 Henri Julien Street, will be solemnized at Annex Hall, June 25, Rabbi S. Herschorn officiating.

The marriage of Miss Adele Hirschborn to M. Palker, will be solemnized on Sunday, June 7.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. M. Altrovitch, Park Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bess, to Jack Zender, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Zender.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pinsler, Victoria Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Etta, to Joe Glickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Glickman, Western Avenue.

BORN

May 23, at 2654a St. Urbain Street, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Metzger, a son.

At the Civic Hospital, Friday, May 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Betcherman, a son.

On May 23, at 25 Des Forges Street, Three Rivers, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Herscovitch, a daughter.

On May 28, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Litwin (nee Regina Dalfen), at Hebrew Maternity, a daughter.

On May 23, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Max Pinsler (nee Marion Jacobson), at the Medical Arts Hospital, a son.

OBITUARY

In New York, May 26, Lillian Superior, wife of Jack Stern, died. Funeral Thursday, May 28, from 1365 Bernard Avenue, Outremont, Apartment 15.

Friday, May 29, at the Montreal General Hospital, Lazarus Katz died. Funeral from his late residence, 1526 Hopchelaga Street, on Sunday, May 31.

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HARRIS KELLERT DIES

Harris Kellert, senior member of the firm of H. Kellert & Sons, wholesale clothiers, Montreal, died after a short illness, at the age of eighty-one. Mr. Kellert left Lithuania fifty-eight years ago for Canada, and settled in Lancaster, Ont., where he remained for fifteen years. Coming to Montreal about forty-three years ago he established the present wholesale clothing business.

He was one of the oldest members of the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, of which he was a past trustee and vice-president.

For many years he was a trustee and vice-president of The Baron de Hirsch Institute and chairman of the Relief Committee.

Among other institutions that had his support were the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, the Talmud Torahs and also Zionism. He was also a life governor of the Montreal General Hospital. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Jacob and Solomon, and four daughters, Mrs. Louis Fraid, Mrs. M. J. Heillig, and Misses Hattie and Rebecca Kellert.

The funeral took place Monday afternoon from his late residence, 808 Sherbrooke West, to the Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery.

YOUNG JUDAEA

The following passed the Leaders' examination given by S. J. Rodman, who has conducted a Leaders' Training Class: Misses S. Park, R. Schwiseberg, L. Benjamin, F. Shapiro, R. Berlin, P. Cooperstone, A. Drimer, M. Tinkler, P. Freedman, Rae Cohen; and J. Frank, D. Bernstein, O. Silverstone, M. Hockmitz, J. Eliesen, J. Rudner, N. Gaisin, M. Schaeffer and I. Wainer. Certificates will be presented by A.J. Frieman. The City Convention at the Y.M.H.A. will be addressed by Louis Fitch, M. Garber and P. Meyerovitch. Sessions begin June 6 and 7. The office has published a biographical sketch of Jehuda Halevi by Ben Bernstein. Dr. de Sola Pool, president of Young Judaea, of United States, will attend the Canadian Young Judaea Convention in Ottawa, June 26-27-28-29.

HADASSAH

The North End Chapter of Hadassah held a bridge at their closing meeting June 3, at the Edinburgh Cafe. Presentations were made to officers.

The Ziona Chapter of the Junior Hadassah held a bi-weekly meeting, Tuesday, May 26, at the home of Miss Eda Wigdor. Reports, financial statement and report on raffle tickets were read. Election. Dinner dance next week at the American Coffee Shop for paid-up members only. New officers: Honorary presidents, Mrs. A. J. Freiman and Miss Pearl Goldfield; president, Miss Dora Epstein; vice-president, Mrs. Louis Diner; treasurer, Eda Wigdor; recording secretary, Miss Y. A. Weber; corresponding secretary, Miss Dora Urovitch; culture committee, Miss Sophie Popliger; National Fund work, Miss Myrtle Steine; entertainment committee, Miss Rose Lazare; ticket committee, Misses Sophie and Nettie Silverman directors, Misses Rose Lazare, Mary Lazare, Essie Berson.

DUFFERIN SCHOOL GRADUATES' SOCIETY

The Dufferin School Graduates' Society dance Sunday evening, June 7, at Baron de Hirsch Institute, 2040 Bleury Street, 8.30 p.m. Elections and adoption of a slate. Annual report by the retiring president, M. A. Fink. Suggestions by members. Orchestra music.

THE UNITED TALMUD TORAHS

Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the United Talmud Torahs of Montreal have arranged a special meeting for Monday, June 8th, 8 p.m., at the Beni Jacob Synagogue, [illegible] Fairmount Avenue West.

on behalf of the Talmud Torahs. Mrs. A. J. Frieman, Ottawa, will be present.

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Past president of the Accountants' Association and of the General Accountants' Association, he is at present a member of the Dominion and of the local board of the Canadian Society of Cost Accountants affiliated with the National Association of Cost Accountants, U.S.A.

WINS MEDAL

Dr. John W. Singer was awarded a bronze medal as first prize for a statue of Venus de Milo at the School of Fine Arts.

HEBREW LIBERAL POLITICAL ASSOCIATION

The officers and directors of the Hebrew Liberal Political Association of Montreal, inc., were at home at an official inauguration, Thursday, June 4, at the club rooms, 667 St. Lawrence Boulevard.

LITERARY CIRCLE

The Literary Circle closed its season at the home of Miss Esther Frank, Park Avenue, on Wednesday, May 27, with a musicale. Participants were: Misses Anne Gelin, Mildred Silverman and Rose Klein.

DAUGHTERS OF EZRA

Daughters of Ezra met May 26 at the residence of Miss R. Goldstein. Minutes were read by Miss L. Kershman. Orders have been distributed by the Club to poor families every other week for the past year, and will be continued for the next few months; $5.50 was collected from the members only. Next meeting at the home of Miss M. Zelansky, 48 Colonial Avenue.

SOVIET CONFERENCE DISCUSSED JEWISH PROBLEMS

The All-Ukrainian Conference of Soviets which was recently held in [illegible] several addresses which Jews in that part of Russia. One address was delivered in Yiddish, which was later translated into Russian and called forth great applause on the part of the delegates present. Many of the speakers spoke with great feeling about the terrible economic distress among the Jewish population and urged the authorities to come forward with substantial aid. It was pointed out that at present a large proportion of the Jewish masses in Ukraine have no employment and live merely on what their relatives send them from America. Such a state was deplored as most unhealthy and the government was urged to assist in the colonization of the Jews on the land, and in this way relieve the economic pressure to some extent.

Three Jews were elected to high government positions in White Russia and twenty-two others to smaller positions. In the Central Executive also three Jews were elected.

A museum for Jewish antiquities, bearing the name of Mendele Mocher Sefarim, the famous Yiddish writer from Odessa, will be established in Moscow in the near future, with the approval of the Soviet Government.

Mr, David Brown, of Detroit, was the only one to escape unhurt in a train catastrophe when a number of Jewish emigrants proceeding from Moscow to [illegible] were killed or wounded. Mr. [illegible] arrived in Berlin last week.

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PERSONS TALKED ABOUT

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Harold Weinstein, sixteen-year-old high school boy, and Jerome Sampson, fifteen, of Chicago, will try to save from the gallows, Willie Cavalier, fifteen. The Boys' Brotherhood Republic in Chicago have undertaken to intercede for the youth's life. Weinstein and Sampson were elected by the Republic to represent 832 boy citizens in the life appeal.

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Graduates Win Honours

Sol Fels, son of Abe Fels, and grandson of Mrs. E. Bois, has been awarded the four available prizes in the Faculty of Law, McGill University, graduating the B.C.L. course. He is the winner of the Elizabeth Torrance Gold Medal (for highest standing in graduating class); Macdonald Travelling Scholarship; Montreal Bar Prize for Commercial Law; Junior Bar Association Prize for

SOL FELS

Civil Procedure; first class honours. He is a graduate of the Montreal High School, and won prizes at McGill University each year. In his first year he was awarded the Faculty Exhibition for highest standing; in his second, the Alexander Morris Exhibition, and a special money prize. He will leave in September to spend a year at the University of Dijon, in France. Sol Fels is a pianist and a brother of Moe Fels.

Faculty of Arts: Nathan Reich—Montreal Manufacturers' graduate fellowship for economics and political science. Faculty of Medicine: The McGill Medical Society's prize—1st prize for senior essay, Otto Klineberg,

NATHAN REICH

Montreal. Faculty of Law: Rohrlick, L. H., Montreal; Special Money Prize (for second highest standing in graduating class); first class honours. Gameroff, M., Lachine; second class honours. Honours in Medicine: J. Cohen; otolaryngology, J. C. Presner, J. J. Wechsler; pathology, J. Feigenbaum; pediatrics, S. J. Halperin, L. Lazerte; psychiatry, J. J. Wechsler, O. Klineberg, J. Cohen, J. Feigenbaum, P. Rabinovitch; Degree of doctor of dental surgery—I. Beinhaker, David Kaplensky, David H. Muhlstock, Hyman Israelovitch, Lawrence Goodman, Maxwell Levitt, Maxwell Goldenberg, Louis Miller, Harold Herscovitch, Saul H. Bernstein, Louis J. Lightstone, Henry Klein; Diploma of Pharmacy—Victor Capelovitch, David Caplan, Nathan Cohen, William Hyman Cohen, Reuben Ginsberg, Samuel Held, David Gordon Jassby, Aaron Millman, Samuel David Presner, Ernest Rosen, Frank L. Singer, Samuel Held; Public Health Diploma—David Berman, B.A., M.D., C.M.; Degree of M.D., C.M.—Alexander Benjamin, B.Sc., Harry Arthur Altner, Jacob Cohen, Sydney Irving Doubilet, Jacob Feigenbaum, Harry Glickman, Louis Goldman, Louis Sydney Harris, Moses Kaufman, Otto Klineberg, M.A., Jack Copple Presner, Phineas Rabinovitch, Samuel Riven, Saul Rosenbaum, Saul Rubin, B.Sc., of Kirkland, Wash.; Isidor Herbert Scheffer, B.Sc., Michael Henry Teitelbaum, B.A., Jacob Jackson Wechsler, B.A., of Chicago; Joshua Zuckerman; honours in psychiatry—J. J. Wechsler, Otto Klineberg, J. Cohen, J. C. Presner, S. Riven, J. Feigenbaum and P. Rabinovitch.

EDITORIAL

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type of democratic civilization which is above race or creed or colour, and yet contains them all. This civilization has not yet been universally accepted. It involves the best of the old Hebraic and Hellenic civilizations. In a deeper sense, the English-speaking peoples, composed of all races, creeds, nationalities and cultures, represent the real League of Nations on which the peace of the world rests. And though the United States of America is not yet part of the world League of Nations, I believe that it is only a matter of time when the people across the line will appreciate that Woodrow Wilson sensed the destiny of his country better than those who for political reasons defeated his prophetic vision. The time is long gone when the United States can isolate herself from world affairs. The United States is too integrally bound up, financially and culturally, with world affairs, to remain long out of some kind of a League of Nations, whether it be the present League or some new form of League, which world conditions will soon call into being. Participation in a League is no longer a matter of party policies. It is a matter of historic and economic necessity, and it is a fiction and an illusion to imagine that the United States to-day is not part and parcel of world affairs.

From time to time I have noticed little irritations on the part of the peoples of Canada and the United States. Much of the friction I find to be petty and trivial, but of the sort about which sensitive people are particularly touchy. Canadians have mental corns and bunions upon which the average United Statesers step without malice aforethought. A few samples of what I have in mind will serve to make my point clear.

When first I came hereafter the Armistice, I found that Canadians, who had been in the war since 1914, whose men had occupied the most dangerous sectors, and who had paid with over 50,000 dead, grew restive over the swagger from thoughtless American visitors, that "we won the war." Another instance. To the poised Canadian not given to boasting, the mania for superlatives of some United Statesers about "we have, or are, the biggest, largest, finest, this or that, in the world" sounds like braggadocio, grates on the ear and shows a lack of [illegible] across the line have a bad habit of referring to their country as America and their people as Americans. This rubs Canadians the wrong way. The country to the south is only the United States of America, and not America, and Canadians, like their neighbours, are also Americans. America is the name of a continent and not of one of the countries, and it is not conducive to good feeling for Canada's neighbours to continue this bad habit. Then too, "English as she is spoke" in the United States sounds peculiar to Canadians accustomed to the King's English as used in the Mother Country.

But the causes of irritation are not by any means one-sided. Canadians from time to time remind themselves of the Alaska settlement deal, and President Roosevelt's instructions to the supposed impartial committee which he promised to appoint to deal with the issue. Roosevelt not only appointed a committee who were known to be partial but also instructed them in bellicose fashion that the U.S.A. would have Alaska their way and no other, irrespective of the wishes of Canada. Every fair-minded citizen of the U.S.A. who knows the facts is willing to concede that a gross injustice was done Canada in the settlement of the Alaska boundary dispute. But it is of no avail for Canadians to keep harping on it except ing to create friction. Canadians smart and some with justice, at the adverse rate of exchange that their money suffers from time to time, as was the case in 1920 and 1921. But again these are matters which are beyond the control of our neighbours. Our salvation in this regard rests in our own hands—"Buy Canada-made Goods"—and a scientific readjustment of the tariff to meet Canadian conditions of manufacture will do considerably to keep Canadian money and labour in Canada, and would right the balance of trade in Canada's favour.

These and many other irritating conditions frequently lead the people of both countries not to feel as friendly as they might toward one another. But what would life be without an occasional quarrel between the best of friends? What we must beware of on both sides of the line is not to magnify the importance of these petty and trivial irritations which can readily be eliminated. And, when they are, better feeling will come about between two neighbouring peoples, who in most respects, have every reason to feel kindly disposed to one another.

Perhaps in my own small way I may be one of many to call this to the attention of the people across the line. And I may say, parenthetically, that Canadians, of whom there are hundreds and thousands now living in the United States, can render the people of both countries a service by endeavouring to acquaint the people of the United States about these matters, and pointing out the many things both people share in common. These are a common cultural and spiritual heritage, a common language and literature, and a common democratic outlook.

These editorials, under the general heading of "My Vision of Canada," will be in several instalments, and will deal with "What I Admire about Canada and Canadians," "What Is Wrong with Canada and Canadians?" and "My Vision of Canada." In radio fashion I ask you to "stand by."

Barnett R. Brickner

DEATH OF RABBI ABRAHAM DANON

Rabbi Abraham Danon, former Director of the Rabbinical Seminary of Constantinople, died in Paris at age of 68. The deceased was a man of wide culture and of considerable Hebrew learning and was the author of a number of works on Jewish history and literature. At the time of his death he had just completed a French Hebrew dictionary.

Rabbi Hai ben Simon, deputy Chief Rabbi of Cairo, died in that city at the age of 55. The deceased was the author of a number of important works and [illegible]

CANADIANS IN LOS ANGELES

Mr. and Mrs. B. Myers and Mr. and Mrs. C. Ehrlich have left to spend a couple of weeks at Gilman's Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Heillig and family are leaving shortly to spend the summer at Santa Monica Beach.

M. Costiner, of Montreal, who has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Shepro, has returned home.

Mrs. A. Schwartz, of Spokane, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. Myers, Rimpau Avenue.

The marriage of Miss Sylvia Leavy to Reuben Frischling takes place early in June.

Mrs. Otto Kerner, South Sycamore Avenue, entertained at her home on Tuesday afternoon in honour of Miss Martha Heillig, a June bride, and Mrs. E. Lipsey, of Montreal. Guests included Mesdames R. E. Heillig, P. B. Glickman, N. Jassby, H. Singer, H. Genser, Sol Goodman, Dave Gordon, W. Neuman, Wm. Bernfeld, Max Levine, B. Myers and M. Weinstein; Misses Evelyn Heillig and Tess Glickman. The bridge prize was won by Mrs. Sol Goodman, and the prize-winners for mah jong were Mrs. Heillig, Mrs. Genser, and Miss Tess Glickman.

Max King has left for New York.

Mrs. P. Strann, Harcourt Avenue, gave a dinner party on Thursday evening in honour of Miss Sylvia Leavy whose marriage to Reuben Frischling takes place in June.

Visitors in Los Angeles enroute to San Francisco were Mrs. Harry Robinson and Mrs. Jos. Cohen and children, of Montreal, on their way to visit relatives in the coast city.

Miss Tess Glickman was the guest of Miss Freda Singer, of Pasadina, over the week-end.

Maurice Samuel, the author, was the guest of honour at a dinner in the Biltmore Hotel tendered him by Los Angeles Jewry.

OTTAWA

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Crawford motored from Boston to Ottawa last week-end and were accompanied on their return trip by Mrs. Sam Darwin, of Ottawa, and Miss Beckie Darwin, of Montreal, who will visit in Boston and New York.

Sam Berger, who has completed his law course at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Sugarman, accompanied by Miss Florence Sugarman and Mrs. H. H. Sugarman, motored to Montreal last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sinclair and family have returned from a motor trip to Montreal.

Mr. Lief, who has been attending Osgoode Hall, has returned to the city for the summer holidays.

Mrs. Lerman, of New York, spent a week in Ottawa visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Katz. Mrs. Lerman is spending the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Katz.

Mrs. Samuel Venis, of Montreal, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Venis.

Miss Sylvia Gould and Miss Thelma Gould spent last week-end in Cornwall, the guests of Mrs. H. Dover.

Miss Leslie Caplan was hostess at a dinner party in honour of Miss Rose Max, a bride of next week. The table was centered with a basket of yellow roses and was presided over by Mrs. James L. Lelkin, M. Max, B. Goldberg and H. Cooper. They were assisted by Misses Eva Bilsky, Miriam Caplan, Bess Sugarman, Pauline Gould and Clare Kent. Bridge prizes were won by Miss Pearl Slonemsky and Mrs. Rose Gordon. Miss Max received a guest prize.

A reception was held last week at the Jewish Community Centre when the Builders of Palestine group of the Young Judaea entertained in honour of [illegible]

from Stamford, Conn., to join her husband, was presented with an arm bouquet of roses by Mr. Teddie Metrick. Musical numbers were given by Dave Malot and a talk by I. Ellenson, leader of the Young Judaean Society. Max Bregman was in charge of arrangements, assisted by Teddie Metrick, Dave Malot and Joe Lewis.

O.L.H. BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

A number of families received assistance during the last month, it was reported at the regular meeting of the Ottawa Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Society. Final returns of the drive for funds will be brought in at the June meeting.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ottawa Talmud Torah and the Talmud Torah Board held a money shower at the Talmud Torah Hall last Saturday evening.

YOUNG JUDAEA ENTERTAINMENT

The Young Judaea held a musical, literary and social evening last Sunday at the Talmud Torah Hall. "Resolved, that the Dispersion was Beneficial to the Jews" was debated by, affirmative, Daughters of Israel Club: Miss Sadie Uner and Miss Rose Carlofsky; negative, Maccabean Club: Lionel Katz, Lawrence Freiman. Rabbi M. J. Mintz, B. Pearl and Sam Lepofsky were judges. Affirmative won. Musical programme, Ottawa Judaean Orchestra, leadership J. Sniderman; 1st violins, Max Bregman, assistant conductor, Louis Caplan, Zelda Wener, Joe Goldberg, Solly Max, Maxwell Golub, Ethel Liberman, Rose Sinclair; 2nd violins, Abe Cohen, Abe Lazarus, Moe Lachovitz, Faye Black, Harry Zumar, Ethel Boguslavsky; obligato violins: Lionel Pearlman, Gertrude Sugarman, Lena Brahinsky; clarinets, Jos. Hillas, Sam Shenkman; cornet, Chas. Payette; saxaphones, Charles Hyman, Lawrence Freiman, Herb Meyers, Irving Schaffer, Sam Sobcov; piano, Mollie Tuckman, Lillie Zumar, assistant; drum, etc., Geo. E. J. Williams. Violin solos were given by Miss Lillian Franklin; clarinet solos, Jos. Hillas; songs, Mme. Anna Wolfe Margosches. Bregman's orchestra played for dancing.

HAMILTON

A surprise party was given last Sunday in honour of Miss Esther Tick at her home, 428 James Street North. Guests from Toronto and Kitchener were present. Hostesses were Misses Lena Steinberg and Anna Tick.

BRANTFORD

JUDAEA CLUB HELD FIRST CONCERT

The first annual concert of the Brantford Young Judaea Club was held at the Jewish Synagogue, 33 Palace Street, under the direction of David Noble. M. Lipovitch, president. The opening number was given by the boys of the Club, led by V. Nusbaum. Interlocutor, J. Strenkovsky, and D. Maldiver, Irving Smookler, Max, Abe and Ben Gazer, M. Strenkovsky, H. S. Noble and G. Henkle, M. Sacks, J. Schleifer, O. Hoffman, G. White, S. Nymer, Dave Harris, M. Harris, J. Morrison, Carl Lipovitch, M. Rappoport. Miss Essie Edwards gave several readings. Misses Lorene Fox, Sophie Lipovitch, Anna Stemeroff, Ida Nisker; Frank Schleifer gave readings. Rev. D. Barenholtz sang. Two amateur sketches were by Morris Strenkovsky, Max Gazer, D. Henkle, Irving Smookler, Joe Morrison, Miss Nellie L. Noble, S. Noble and David Maldiver. A monologue by Oscar Hoffman and Jack Schleifer. A sketch was given by Deyid Noble. Mr. Noble [illegible]

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KITCHENER

Mr. and Mrs. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Sholes, Miss Rose Fritz and Harry Manowski motored to Niagara Falls and Buffalo over the week-end and stopped at the Statler Hotel.

GALT

Week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Coppel, Galt, were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Siegel and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Glazier and family, W. Siegel, Misses Anne and Ethel Siegel, Elsie Litner, Clara Brandes and Mae Wahl.

COURT REFUSES HENRY FORD'S PLEA TO VACATE BERNSTEIN ORDER

New York.—The $200,000 libel suit instituted by Herman Bernstein against Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company, which appeared to have ended in February, 1924, when Federal Judge Knox vacated an order attaching $115,000 belonging to Mr. Ford which was on deposit here, took a fresh start last Tuesday when Judge Knox, after a rehearing, reinstated the order tying up $65,000 of the funds. It was alleged by Mr. Bernstein that The Dearborn Independent published articles accusing him of being a spy for international bankers and of having supplied The Independent much of the information on which its attacks on the Jews were based.

Early in the action, The Independent was dismissed from the suit on the ground that it had no property in this State subject to attachment, and the question to decide was whether the series of articles in The Independent was of such a nature as to make Mr. Ford personally liable. In his present opinion Judge Knox decides that upon all the facts, established by affidavits and otherwise, he has concluded that the plaintiff has "supplied the deficiencies of his original papers, and that his case is now of sufficient strength to support the attachment of defendant's funds."

Judge Knox states that all that is required is to show that facts alleged can reasonably be established on trial and that while the defendant has produced considerable counterproof which may persuade a jury to decide against the plaintiff, this proof is conspicuous [illegible] Judge Knox rebutted by Mr. fairly to be drawn from the plaintiff's affidavits. The court says there is no explanation to account for such absence.

"It seems passing strange," the opinion reads, "that the court is deprived of the defendant's version of the facts alleged against him."

Reference is made to an affidavit by William J. Cameron, editor of The Independent, who accepts all responsibility for one of the objectionable articles, but fails to state whether the article, prior to its publication, was seen and approved by Mr. Ford. The Cameron affidavit, it is pointed out, states that Mr. Ford occasionally suggested some general policy or idea to be expressed in The Independent.

"It is also admitted," runs the opinion, "that Mr. Ford had an interview with one O'Neill about February 16, 1921, at which the latter was told that the former held a genuine belief that international Jewry, with its racial programme, is an evil influence in America and the world."

The opinion states that this belief was assigned as one of the reasons why Mr. Ford's International Weekly was then engaged in printing a series of articles commonly described as attacks upon the Jews. It is pointed out in the opinion that Mr. Cameron did not deny that Mr. Ford inspired the series of anti-Jewish articles in The Dearborn Independent and that "it is reasonable to suppose that a truthful denial is impossible."

The attacks upon the Jews, the opinion says, were described by Mr. Ford as "lessons" that the American public should learn, that further "lessons" would be given, and, according to an authorized interview, "the Jews themselves will be educated to the evils into which their leaders have taken them."

The law firm of Guggenheim, Untermyer & Marshall represents Mr. Bernstein in the action. Mr. Ford is represented by Nicoll, Anable, Fuller & Sullivan.

The Rev. B. I. Beckman was formally installed as Rabbi of the Yeoville Synagogue of Johannesburg, by the Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau. This took place simultaneously with the consecration of the new synagogue, which is a member of the United Hebrew Congregation of Johannesburg.

A Jewish Academic Institute for scholars who write in Yiddish will soon be established in Berlin. The institute will have four sections, namely Yiddish philology, pedagogy, social economy and Jewish history. A conference of Yiddish writers will be held in Berlin in September to make final arrangements for the establishment of the institute.

Every Friday

Among several monuments which Jews are building as one means of vindication before an anti-Semitic world is the memorial by the Federation of Polish Jews in America to Chaim Salomon, Jewish backer of the American Revolution. Chaim Salomon is a romantic figure, too little spoken of in connection with American history. Of the textbooks which tell of how Robert Morris, secretary of the Treasury with the Federal Government, died in poverty without receiving a dollar of the money he gave the Colonial Government, few make mention of Salomon, the revolutionary patriot, who also gave, and without recompense. But you read of him in letters and diaries that the efforts of this Polish Jewish immigrant on behalf of America's independence caused him to be arrested as a spy and sentenced to death. He escaped to become wealthy and to be the principal private depositor in the Bank of America founded by Morris to obtain money for running the Government.

The memorial to Salomon will honour the Jew who gave to the revolutionary cause over $650,000 against which his descendants refused to press a claim Congress had voted to be valid. It will honour the man to whom on one Yom Kippur eve George Washington, in direst need, applied for $400,000. Let this statue portray a man who was more than a money lender. Let it suggest Salomon as he was when he came to America from Poland, young, aggressive, cultured, idealistic. Could it be endowed with voice it might speak of freedom to a country more slave now than it was when Salomon lived.

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Some states across the border might follow the lines of least resistance while harbouring in their midst a high school teacher who propounds the theory of evolution; others might allow him to be taken out at night by some prominent citizens dressed up as a mob and mutilate him, boil him in oil or burn him at the stake. But it belongs to the intrepid state of Tennessee, first in the output of mammies and magnolias, to turn back the clock three hundred years for the delectation of the world and stage a playlet à la the Inquisition. Galileo, teaching "that the sun is immovable in the centre of the world and that the earth moves and also with a diurnal motion," will be present in the person of John T. Scopes, teacher of the Darwinian theory of the descent of man. In the role of chief inquisitor will be William Jennings Bryan who, as long as he is able to talk, will never stand by and let any man say that Americans are descended from a low order of animal.

The Village of Dayton where Scopes was indicted for disturbing the peace and dignity of the state by teaching certain theories that deny the story of the divine creation, is going to do the trial up brown. Committees have been formed to take care of the spectators and a grandstand will be built and amplifiers provided. For the defence, Clarence Darrow, of Leopold-Loeb fame, safely out of earshot of any trained monkey, will suggest that Tennesseans are of similar strain, and with such experts in biology as the American Association for the Advancement of Science may send to the support of Scopes, the illiterates should get such a kick out of the show as nothing supplies them except a Ringling Brothers' circus.

Education coming in a lump like that may be as hard on the native brain as a sudden bolt from the blue and it can only be hoped that under the spell of much language the real issue will not be obscured. There will be a lot of heated talk about whether Darwin was right and about the freedom of teaching, but the crux of the case is the establishment of fundamentalism as the state religion of Tennessee.

If it is against the law to teach anything but a literal interpretation of Genesis, then fundamentalism is the established state doctrine, officially adopted with the power of the government back of it. When the governor and legislators of Tennessee, under the influence of benighted churchmen, passed the anti-evolution law they did not invalidate the theories of evolution but they did reverse a fundamental principle of American liberty, the separation of church and state. Perhaps the trial will cause the abrogation of the statute, but whatever the outcome, the real culprits are the governor and the legislators, and their crime is that they bartered away to fanatical superstition the constitutional rights of their people.

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Rivka says: "The educated heart is the one organ that does not break down with [illegible]"

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About History

A Bitter Humoresque

By J. L. Peretz

A friend of mine sat beside me on a bench in Krasinskes garden, and asked me why I was so sad.

"Graetz is dead," I answered.

"Blessed art Thou. A true Judge!" exclaimed the Jew. "Was Graetz of this town?"

The question, which ninety out of a hundred Jews would have asked in his place, is the measure of the depth of the morass into which we have sunken. Whom does the Warsaw Jew not know? Whose name is not carried on the tongue of the Warsaw Jew? Of whom does the Warsaw Jew not talk?

To make the Ghetto of Warsaw ring one need not exactly lose one's wife and children in the Derby, or climb the highest steeple of the city. . . . It is enough to be a cab-horse, and fall across the tram lines. . . .

Yet it is not enough if one is a Graetz if one writes the history of the Jewish people.

And when I had informed my neighbour what Graetz had written, he said:

"Ah! History!" And in such a voice, as if he were astonished at hearing that someone had accomplished the feat of eating twelve hard-boiled eggs at one time.

And when I positively jumped out of my skin, he asked, naively:

"And what benefit have we derived from his history?"

"Are you a Jew?" I asked.

"I think so," he smiled, as if he would say: "A little more than you."

"And do you love Jews?"

"How then? Hate them?"

"Do you know that Alexander of Macedonia met on his road of victory a nation of women only?"

"What a question! I think the tale is to be found in the Bible. And maybe it was told me by the teacher of the Hebrew school."

"Do you know at what period of Jewish history the Kingdom of the House of David and the Kingdom of the House of Israel were divided—when, of one Jewish nation there became two?"

"What? What good is it to me to know that? . . . The story is told in the Bible."

"And what became of the Kingdom of Israel?"

"The Kingdom of Israel, we are told, is on the other side of the River Sambatyan."

"And what became of the Jews who were driven out of Spain?"

"They ran away, dispersed themselves."

"And those who were twice driven out of France?"

"Where should they be? A portion of them surely went somewhere. And the rest stole back into France. What a question?"

"Do you know what the Jews have suffered and are still suffering in Persia, Roumania. . . ?"

"In Persia I do not know. Of Roumania stories are frequently told at the synagogue. They make one's hair and nails stand on end."

"And of the Crusaders do you know anything?"

"Ask me something easier."

It was evident to me that he did not know what the word Crusades meant. I had used the German term. I gave him the Hebrew word.

"What sort of a language is that?"

"It is a Hebrew word. Don't you know that because of the Crusades thousands of Jews were killed? Whole communities were wiped out and disappeared."

"You refer, of course, to the doings of Chmelnitski, the tyrant?"

"Of the Jews of Morocco you know nothing—eh?"

"Morocco? No, I never heard of it."

"And you would like to know about it?"

"Bah! What is there to know of Mo[illegible]

his family been ill, then you must know what that illness was and if the patient suffered much pain, and how long the illness lasted, and what charms proved efficacious. If a doctor was called in, whether he prescribed red or green medicine. Or, maybe, after all, the medicine was white. . . . If a soothsayer was called in, you would ask whether he merely uttered a spell, or covered the patient with smoke as well. . . . And it is not only in such important affairs that you ask questions. When you see a new garment on a friend of yours, you want to know how much he paid for the making. You even lift up the tail to see if the lining is of good quality. . . ."

"True," smiled the Jew. "I cannot deny these things."

"Yes," I interposed. "And yet, if you have brothers in the whole wide world, you are not at all curious to know how they are faring. And if your brothers have been suffering for thousands of years already, you are not curious to know the details of their lives in all that time.

"And this proves to me conclusively that you repeat the words from the prayer, 'All Israel are brethren,' with as much sincerity as you repeat 'Next year in Jerusalem'."

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"But yet I feel that I love Jews."

"You are mistaken."

"You are just saying that."

"I will prove my statement. But first answer me a few questions honestly."

"Well?"

"Do you love your relatives?"

"Not all of them."

"Why not all of them?"

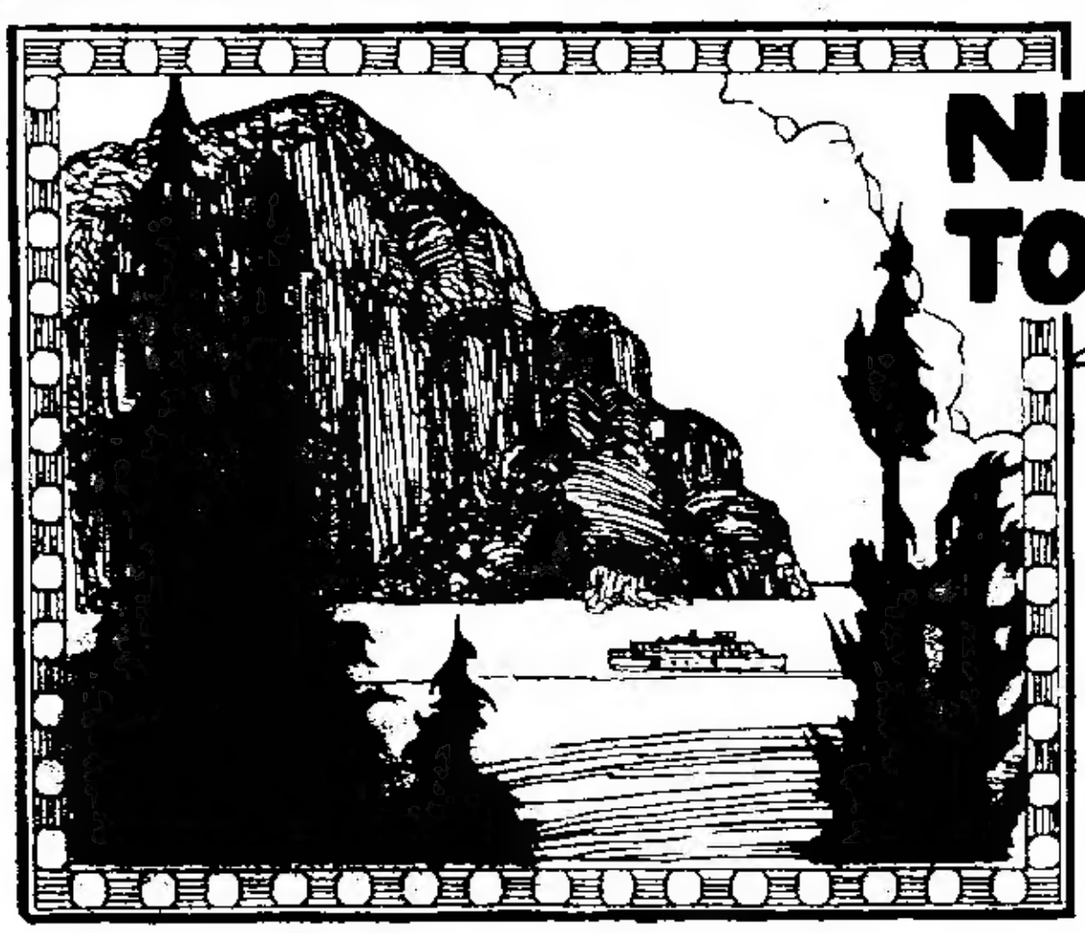
"Do I know what you are asking? And if a relative of mine opens a business just like mine, near me, as if there were not enough businesses in the world outside of mine, gets into my road, drags my customers away from me by force, takes the piece of bread out of my mouth—shall I not be his enemy for that? . . . . Or, if a member of my wife's family is a drunkard, or a deliberate Sabbath-breaker, shall I love him?"

"And, outside of these?"

"Outside of these, yes. I love all my relatives whom I know.

"I do not know. For example, I have a first cousin in America whom I have never seen."

"Then you really—?" I suggested.



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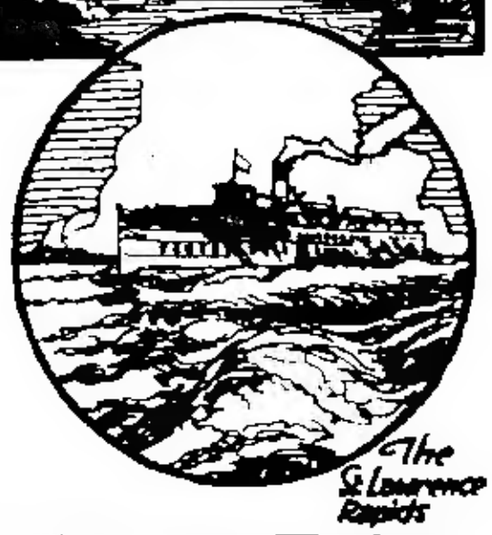

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"Hate him? No. But I do not love him either. I cannot even imagine what he is like. Can one love a person whom one has never seen? I have never seen him."

"And Jews in general—do you know them?"

My Jew felt like a mouse caught in a trap. He threw himself now to this side, now to that.

"It is useless," said I. "You do not love Jews in general. Because you have no idea of Jews in general. You have never seen them." (Pause.)

"What does a Jew deal in?" I asked.

"Provisions," he answered gloomily.

"You have lived in the world about fifty years."

"Forty-five," he corrected.

"Let it be forty-five. In your lifetime you have become acquainted with 200 Jews. Of those you throw half into the water—those who are not orthodox, those who say one prayer instead of another. . . . Of those who do not pray at all, nothing need be said. Epicureans! Into the fire with them! . . . Of the remainder, you take another good few and dash them against the wall. With one Jew you have a lawsuit. The second is a competitor of yours, crawls into your liver. The third has said something against you. To the fourth you owe money. The wife of the fifth quarreled with your wife. . . . The remainder, as many as they may be, you probably love. . . ."

The Jew was silent, thoughtful, abstracted. And I struck the iron while it was hot.

"To love means to know. To love all Israel means to be bound up with, not twenty or thirty Jews, but with the whole of the present generation which is scattered and spread about. . . . A nation is like a cone."

"What is that?"

"Let it be a loaf of sugar. On the top, our father, Abraham. The further down the broader and broader it grows. Our loaf of sugar is, in reality, not a true cone. The centre of it has been eaten away by mice, sodden by water. . . . As we go lower, the figure splits up, and crumbles away. . . . Our units are separated one from the other. Waters flow between them, steppes stretch away, lands spread themselves out. . . . To love Jews means to love the whole cone. To love means to know all, to understand all, to realize everything with one's heart, one's brain, and one's blood."

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"It cannot be denied thatt his is interesting," remarked my neighbour a few minutes later.

"It is more than interesting," said I. "It is a necessary thing. History is one of the foundations on which the whole of Judaism—the whole loaf of sugar, so to say—is resting. . . ."

"You see, we are an ancient nation. And yet in this particular thing other nations are much wiser than we. And, it was not only the European nations which read, wrote and learned history—not only the Greeks, the Romans, and the other nations of ancient culture which guarded their history as if it were the apple of their eye—not only Egypt, Persia, Media, which carved their history in stone, on walls, on pyramids, but even the genuine savage nations also understood history.

"The wild tribes of Africa and America are still going about naked, like Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden. For ornaments, they wear brass rings in their noses, sea-shells in their upper or lower lips, leather bracelets on their ankles, horns or feathers on their heads. Their naked bodies are tatooed in many-coloured figures, anoisted with oil. And even these savage nations also know that history is necessary to them. And because the men are always occupied with warfare, hunting and fishing, the women must remember all that the tribe has lived through, and tell the tales at every opportunity."

"Maybe this is merely a custom peculiar to these tribes?"

"And our Holy Law—how does it begin, if not with history?"

"On that question Rashi says nothing."

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"And what do we really want history for?"

"Have you any children?" I answered, with a question.

"As the Lord has commanded."

"Which of you, I ask, is the wiser, you or your child who is only just coming into the world?"

He grew serious.

"The eggs often say that they are wiser than the hens."

"But what do the hens say? Would you trust a boy of six or seven with your money, your business?"

"Of course not. Am I mad?"

"Why not?"

"I should have to buy a beggar's wallet at once."

"What is wrong? Cannot a six or seven-year-old boy carry on business?"

"It would seem that he cannot. What practical experience has he had?"

"And for the same reason the whole of the dowry is not at once handed over to the newly-married couple, because, to succeed in business one must have had some experience. And the newly married young man has only just crept out of his corner behind the stove. Is that not so?"

"Of course it is so."

"In such a case, one looks for a man of experience to teach the young man—an elderly business partner."

"No doubt. It seems you think that uncultured Jews have no common sense."

"God forbid! I think nothing. But, tell me, I beg you, do not children become men and women in time?"

"Certainly. After they have seen the world, had some practical experience, acquired knowledge, learned things, come to know what is good and what is bad.

"You see, a philosopher has said that yesterday is the teacher of to-day."

"Have you to wait for a philosopher to tell you that? A schoolboy knows it from experience."

"The world is an expensive teacher," and he sighed.

"In order to gain something from one's experience, I imagine one must have a memory."

"Of course."

"And if, for example, a man falls ill with fever, and forgets everything?"

"Then it is really bad. One must begin teaching him the alphabet. That is what happened to Reb Shashat."

"And what happens when a man has no memory at all, is born without a memory—God help him?"

"Does it ever happen?"

"For instance. Let us assume it does."

"It is certainly bitter as gall. Such a man can never learn anything, can never grow wiser, not even if he lived to the age of Methusaleh. To be without a memory is to be without experience."

"And can a boy of six years of age, having a memory, be wiser than he?"

"Certainly."

"But see! There is one thing you must realize. That not only an individual, but also a nation must have a memory. And the folk-memory is history. Without history—like the man without a memory—no nation can become wiser or better. Where is the nation to obtain experience in bad times, advice and hope, if every generation, with its sorrows and joys, faults and virtues, is 'cut off and put away,' if, whatever goes into the grave is gone from the brain?"

"Truly," said he, "in bad times we lose our heads. We somehow become as a flock of sheep. Whoever wishes takes horns unto himself and becomes a ram—the great leader of the flock."

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"Take my advice, and buy yourself a Graetz 'History'."

"And money?"

I was left without a solution.

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The Token of the Trees

By Z. LIBIN

Poor, poor old woman!

Wait! Where was it I met her? Let me recall it to mind . . . Yes, Between Canal and Hester street in Orchard Street.

It was early one morning, in the lovely month of May. A writer in my place would certainly take advantage of the fact that the time of year was pleasant, and would describe for you the exceptionally beautiful, fresh, invigorating morning. It would be a good opportunity to praise "unto the dawn" the rebirth of Nature. . . . It is a trifle-May. One plays with the month of May! The clear sky is full of rejoicing because the cold, dead earth has again risen up from the dead, and the sun . . . The burning, mischievous, all-seeing eyes of the sun look down upon the earth with such pure, loving, warm glances, and smile so happily . . . . A cool, refreshing little wind kisses and fans the resurrected trees so pleasantly—the trees which wear their new festive, green garments . . . In a word, a writer with a clever pen would surely recount all the miracles of the month of May with the greatest enthusiasm. But I, sinful being that I am, can only tell you the plain truth.

Here, in the place in which I found myself, that is to say, in Orchard Street, there were very few tokens of the month of May. No freshness arose from the dust-bins. The high tenement-houses, the fire-escape on which

little about them to remind one of the month of May. Everything was as usual—the same mud, the same dense, suffocating atmosphere, the same deafening, heart-rending cries, the same chaffering, bargaining battling. In a word, the eternal, eternal battle for a piece of bread . . . Push-carts, pedlars, porters, men and women torn and ragged, the commotion, the turmoil, the rushing and scurrying to and fro. People ran about, chased after one another, jostled one another, choked one another . . . People struggled for a livelihood . . . Livelihood, livelihood!

Ah, May! It seems that your beautiful young face is not known everywhere!

But let us get back to the main theme . . .

Small in stature, thin, bent, a stick in her hand, clad in rags, she stood looking about her through frightened eyes. On her yellow, deeply furrowed face was the stamp of care. It was also evident that the old woman was looking for something and could not find it.

I looked at her. She noticed this. She looked at me several times, remained standing for a while as if perplexed; then she turned to me, and said:

"May you be well! Tell me—are you a Jew?"

"Yes, granny," I answered, "I am a Jew."

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Social Life about 25 Years Ago— Do You Remember?—

The Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Society held a bazaar in Montreal. At the grocery table were Miss David, Mrs. Emile Hart, Misses Harline David, Florence Kutner, Muriel Hart, Mabel Hart, Violet Asher, Miss Schwartz, Alec Vivien and Roslyn Hart; flannelette table, Misses Essie Hirsch, Minnie Silverman, Bessie Levinsohn, Annie Samuel, Hattie Kellert, Minnie Mendels, Sarah Morris, Ray Tannenbaum, Lillie Tannenbaum, Lillian Silver, Annie Silverstone, Leah Vineberg, Etta Vineberg, Sarah Simon; literary table, Mrs. Lyon Cohen. Charles Gurd put up a soda fountain and served soda gratis. Among those who contributed to the bazaar were: Mark Workman, Mrs. S. Fischel, Jesse Joseph, Mrs. R. Goldfogle, Clarence I. de Sola, D. Solomon, B. Goldstein, Mrs. L. Aronson, Mrs. Redlick, S. Mendelsohn, A. Sanft, A. Rudolph, M. Goldstein, A. Tannenbaum, M. Sturminsky, S. Roman, Gross and Wener, W. Rosenbloom, Mrs. Roston, L. Abinovitch, Mrs. E. Lichtenheim, D. Morris and Sons, Rubenstein Bros., L. Cohen and Son, Adam Beck and Co., S. Silverman, A. Jacobs, A. J. Jacobs, D. S. Freidman, Herman Wolff, Herman Scheyer, S. Saxe, H. Levy, S. W. Jacobs, B. Vineberg, S. Lagovitch, L. Ship, C. B. Samuel, C. L. Friedman, L. Vineberg, Brockville, Mr. and Mrs. Goldwater, Mr. Sternberg, Levy and Mark.

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Officers of the Boys' Auxiliary Branch of the Young Men's Benevolent Society were: Abe Ship, president; Israel Lesser, vice-president; Dave Tannenbaum, treasurer; Issa Greenberg, secretary; Abe Freedman, Hesse Cohen, John Prockter, trustees. Marriages: Louis A. Cohen and Esther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Goldberg, at Richmond Hall; also Moses Rosen and Sarah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Garmaise, at the Bnai Jacob Synagogue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kellert were at home in honour of the bar-mitzvah of their eldest son, Ernest. Alex. Slonimsky was bar-mitzvah at the Cadieux Street Synagogue. A reception followed at the home of his parents, 38a Sanguinet Street. Capt. A. Vineberg, of the Jewish Lads' Brigade, was elected treasurer and Max Winer, secretary of Company A, for the purpose of providing uniforms. Rev. Hirsch Cohen lectured on the life and works of Rabbi Jochanan Ben Zachai.

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I had thought that the old woman was surely going to ask me about an address which she could not find, and her curious question about a tree was to me totally unexpected. I thought that I had not understood her aright, so I repeated her question:

"What? A tree?"

"Yes," she answered. "A tree which grows in America in the summer, as with us at home." And she sighed heavily.

"What do you want a tree for?" I asked, looking at the deeply-lined care-worn face of the old woman, and waiting curiously for her explanation.

"What for? Because the Most High has punished me very bitterly," she answered. And her eyes filled with tears.

A terrible feeling oppressed my heart. I understood that in the old woman's search for a tree which grows in America in the summer, as with us at home, there lay something profoundly tragic. But I asked her no further questions. I hastened to set her mind at rest by saying to her:

"Yes, granny, I will show you a tree."

"May God bless you for this," said she in profound, sincere gratitude. And again she sighed heavily.

I began looking about me. I knew the district very well, and wanted to decide which was the nearest place where I could find a tree for the old woman. But I could not recall to mind that I had ever seen a tree near where we were standing. I would simply have to go off with the old woman to Jackson Street Park.

But I thought that perhaps that would be too far for her, and I asked:

"Where [illegible]

"And where does your ailing son live?" I asked again.

"Close to here, Ashtze Street, in a courtyard, near a big stable."

"A high-class address," I thought within myself. But, at any rate, the old woman knew where she was in the world.

I asked again.

"Granny, if we were to go further on, would you find your way back?"

"I will ask for Ashtze Street, near the pig-market," she reassured me.

We went off to Jackson Street Park. On the way the old woman told me of all the bitterness which was in her heart; and I understood why she was looking for a tree.

Her story was as follows:

She, the old woman, was still a greenhorn in Orchard Street. She had come here, to New York, to her son, only eight months before.

He was her only child; beside him, she had nobody in the wide world. The son had a wife and three little children. It appeared that "at home" he had been a teacher, as I gathered from the old woman; and here he became a worker at the fur-trade. Latterly, since the old woman had arrived, he became very ill, it seemed, of a decline. He had to stay at home, and his wife earned the bit of bread by taking work home from the factories, the stitching up of little trousers, and by washing clothes for the neighbours.

A few weeks ago, a doctor had been to see the invalid. He had expressed the opinion that if he, the invalid, could hold out until the summer, all would be well. The old woman who had already noticed that here, in this country, the [illegible] and

asked the doctor when it was summer in America. And he had told her that when the trees began to get green, it was a token that summer was come.

Now that the Passover was gone, "at home" it would have been summer. The old woman wanted to know if her ailing son had held out. It was true that the weather was warm; but to the old woman this was not much of a token. There had been warm days in the winter too. So the old woman wanted to see the token mentioned by the doctor—just catch sight of green trees. That was all!

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We arrived at Jackson Street Park—a green little corner of a terrible desert—green trees, green grass.

"Well, here you have trees, as many as you want," said I to the old woman.

"I see now," she answered. "Praised be His Beloved Name!"

And the old woman looked at the trees. Her face became fresher, brighter. In her eyes I noticed a glitter of hope, and I heard her murmuring softly:

"Praised be His Name! Praised be the Most High! The dear summer has now come. Darling little son, maybe the Father of the Universe will now take pity on you and send you a real cure."

Then she turned to me, and said pleadingly:

"Do you want to do another good deed?"

"What is it, granny?"

"Get for me a few green leaves, some sort of a green bough. I will take it to my son to show him the summer has come."

I looked for a green bough, and gave it to the old woman.

She took it with trembling hands, blessed me out of the fulness of her heart, and asked me how she was to get home. I showed her the road. And the little old woman went back to "Ashtze" Street, to the yard near the big stable, to her ailing son, to show him that it was already summer in America.

I stayed in the park a little longer, absorbed in sad reflections about the old woman, and about her ailing son.

Then I hurried back to the district of mud and toil, where folks knew nothing of trees.

Herbert Guttman, director of the Dresden Bank, and a leading financial figure in Germany, sailed on the Hamburg-American liner "Albert Ballin" after having toured the United States. He did not believe Von Hindenburg's election would disturb the financial arrangements between Germany and America. Mr. Guttman said England's adoption of the gold standard and the possibility of France doing likewise showed a drift toward international stabilization of exchange.

Israel S. Jonas, of New York, veteran advertising man, one of the first to advocate an extensive use of white space, died at his home. Mr. Jonas, who was sixty-one years old, had been with advertising departments of several large business houses, including R. H. Macy & Co., Shepherd Norwell, and the A. E. Shoe Company. He came here in 1885 from Atlanta. He left a daughter, Mrs. Jeanne Reardon, who lived with him, and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Fahy, of Rome, Ga.

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Holy Blossom Hebrew Congregation, Rabbi B. R. Brickner, Bond Street.

Rabbi Brickner's last sermon in Toronto at Sabbath service, Saturday, June 6, 10.15 a.m. Sermon at 11. Closing exercises of the Collegiate Department and the Bond Street Religious School took place Sunday morning, May 31, in the synagogue. Programme: Religious service; report of Bond Street School by Mrs. B. R. Brickner, superintendent; report of Collegiate Department, Rabbi Brickner; presentation of honour prizes by Mrs. B. R. Brickner; prizes by Mrs. Leo Frankel to the winners of Bond Street School and by Louis Samuel to the pupils of the Collegiate Department. Alf. Raphael donated and presented a gold watch to Bert Oberndorffer for having tried hardest and made the greatest advance in the School; Mrs. B. R. Brickner, the Helena Frankel medal to Rosalie Frankel for being the best student in the school; Mrs. Julius Eisman, Council of Jewish Women's silver medal to Sydney Herman for being the next best student in the school; Mrs. A. Levy, in memory of her mother, bibles to Samuel Nelson and Jeanette Heller for general proficiency; Mrs. S. Lubelsky, bible to Joseph Goldstein for general proficiency; Mrs. B. R. Brickner, honour prizes to Robert Eisman, Audrey Mehr, Kieve Shapiro and Louis Goodman. Over three hundred children registered in the Bond Street School with an average attendance of two hundred and eighty, fourteen classes. Collegiate Department, one hundred and forty, average attendance of one hundred and eight; five teachers. The following participated in the exhibition of work done by the different classes of the school: Hebrew: Bernice Taub, B. Ducoff, Cecile Ratney, Bert Garfinkle, Robt. Lester; 15th Psalm: Arline Friedman, Rose Levenson, Freda Levenson; Ten Commandments: Carol Cohen, Dorothy Marks; grace after meals: Robert Siegler, Ralph Wolf, Sol. Ross, Harry Dinkin, Julius Goldstein; essays on Shabuoth: Sydney Hermant; essay on the Temple, Rosalie Frankel; paper read by Ethel Cross; essay on Ahab's reign, Maxine Singer. Prizes of Jewish books for general proficiency and attendance.

Prizes, honours and medals: Miss Gebirtig's Class: Gordon Rosenthal, Leonard Cohen, Robert Polite; Miss Rotenberg's—Hebrew, Sol Ross; Bible, Berenice Taub; proficiency, Cecile Ratney, Sidney Harris, Berenice Ducoff; Miss Stern's—Hebrew, Dorothy Finkelstein; Bible, Dorothy Willinsky; proficiency, Phyllis Lester; Miss Sadowsky's—Hebrew, Nina Kendal; Bible, Freda Levenson; proficiency, Minnie Machtinger; Harry Singer's—Hebrew, Rebecca Rothschild; Bible, George Levin; proficiency, Murrell Sapira; Lionel Singer's—Hebrew, Rose Levenson; proficiency, Gertrude Brown, Helen Warsh; attendance, Arline Friedman; Miss Papernick's—Hebrew, Marjorie Singer; Bible, Helen Hirschman; proficiency, Lilian Rambache, Tillie Schwartz; Miss Berenson's—Hebrew, Virginia Goldsmith; Bible, Carol Cohen, John Samuel; proficiency, Dorothy Marks; Dr. Leslie's—Hebrew, Teddy Goldsmith; Bible, Ruth Marrin; proficiency, Beryl Singer; Harry Kaskey's—Frances Nelson, Miriam Lewis, Marion Mondshein; Dr. Breslin's—Hebrew, Bobby Siegler; Bible, Harold Ahrenberg; proficiency, Raphael Wolf; Miss Hutner's—Hebrew, Jack Singer; Bible, Rita Raphael; proficiency, Gretrude Shumer, Shirley Harris; Mr. Lieff's—Hebrew, Samuel Nelson; Bible, Sylvia Chinsky, proficiency, Harry Hertzman; Miss Sher's—Hebrew, Berenice Mehr; Bible, Rae Selznick; proficiency, Esther Machtinger; Mr. Geldzeiler's—Hebrew, Wynston Breslin; Bible, Esther Fink; proficiency, Louis Brookstone. Gold medal—Rosalie Franckel; silver medal—Sydney Hermant; Bibles—Samuel Nelson, Jeanette Heller, Joseph Goldstein.

Prizes in the Collegiate Department: Mr. Berger's Class—1st, Lloyd Beenstein; 2nd, Carl Keyfetz; 3rd, Helen Yaglover; Mr. Stephenson's Class—1st, Harold Pritzker; Dr. Orenstein's Class—For attendance, Kena Engelberg; for Hebrew, Sarah Zattin; general proficiency, Jonah Ellis, Lillian Soskin; Mr. Breslin's Class—Marcus King, David Rose, Ruth Levine, Theodore Draimin; Marvin Marks; Mr. Samuel's Class—Florence Kamin, Murray Kerts.

Leo Frankel spoke to parents, pupils and teachers. The Collegiate Department between 1923 and 1925 collected over $312 in benevolent money.

School picnic for the Collegiate Department and Bond Street School, at the Island, Tuesday, June 23. Mrs. Harry Marks, president of the Sisterhood, in charge.

MEN OF ENGLAND AUXILIARY

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hebrew Men of England Congregation, Spadina Avenue, gave a banquet Sunday, May 24. Covers were laid for 120 people. American Beauties, sweet peas and ferns adorned the tables. Convener, Mrs. Sagman; hostesses, Mesdames Clapham, Ross, Cainer, Rose, I. Greenberg, Muscovitz. The following ladies assisted: Mesdames Caplan, Beck, Ketsen, Niman, M. Cohen, Silverstone, B. Cohen, Levy, Rosenbaum. S. M. Ross was toastmaster.

McCAUL STREET SYNAGOGUE

The closing of the McCaul Street Synagogue Hebrew School took place Sunday May 31. The following pupils took the highest standing: First, Clara Durchinsky; second, Tobie Pike; third, Dora Gold; Principal Hurowich's class: first, Bessie Gold; second, Helen Schiff; third, Annie Frankle; Miss Herman's class: first, Jenny Rubenstein and Molly Gold; second, Tillie Goodman; Mr. Shapiro's class: first, Euth Alter; second, Eugena Wasser; third, Rebecca Rich; Miss Littner's class: first, Sarah Hurwitz; second, Tillie Magder; third, Fannie Siderson, of Miss Brownstein's class. Prizes will be given at the Sunday School picnic. McCaul Street Synagogue Hebrew School annual picnic, Wednesday, June 10, at 1.30 p.m., at Kew Beach, section A. Pupils will assemble at the synagogue chambers and must bring car fare.

GOEL TZEDEK WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

An executive meeting of the Goel Tzedek Women's Auxiliary was held Monday evening, June 1. Plans were outlined for the annual picnic on Wednesday, June 24, at Centre Island. Mrs. L. Smith, convener.

SYNAGOGUE MEETING

The board of directors of the Goel Tzedek Synagogue met at the home of Nathan Smith, St. George Street, Sunday afternoon, May 31.

BEACHES' INSTITUTE

A meeting will be held at the Beaches' Institute, 109 Kenilworth Avenue, Sunday, June 7, at 3.30 p.m. Programme. Discussion re affiliation with the Young Judaea.

A federation of all the Yeshibahs of Poland was recently effected in Warsaw and it was decided to issue an appeal for funds for the support of all these institutions and also to send a delegation to America for the purpose of securing financial aid for them.

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Among those who entertained in honour of Mrs. Irving C. Cohen, of Baltimore, Maryland, and Mrs. David Brody, of Gary, Indiana, are Mrs. M. L. Levy, Normanna Avenue, Mrs. J. S. Cohen, Avenue Road, Mrs. Julius Eisman, Poplar Plains Road, Mrs. Fred Levenston, Ragian Avenue, and Mrs. Ralph Raphael, Highview Crescent.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Singer, Wells Hill Avenue, and Mrs. J. Singer, and daughter, Kendal Avenue, are motoring to New York, to attend the wedding of Miss Mae Miller and Peter Berlind, of Montreal.

Mrs. Arthur Jacobs, Wells Street, entertained at bridge, on Tuesday afternoon at the Primrose Club, in honour of her mother, Mrs. Cohen, of New York.

Mrs. B. Rae, Palmerston Boulevard, has returned home from Cincinnati.

Nathan Smith, St. George Street, had as his guests over the week-end, Rabbi Jesse Swartz, of New York; Tudd Stone, of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Rapp, of Montreal. He was at home in honour of Rabbi Swartz on Friday.

Misses Lillian and Anna Smith, St. George Street, were joint hostesses at a dance given in honour of Rabbi Jesse Swartz, of New York. Misses Ethel Goldstein, Helen Merker, Rita Cooper and Jennie Pullan assisted.

Miss Sadye Rosenthal, Wells Hill Avenue, entertained Sunday evening for Misses Rubenstein and Rosenberg, of Buffalo.

Miss Florence King, Dunn Avenue, entertained at bridge, Thursday afternoon last.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Brown and family, of Buffalo, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. William Rosenthal, Wells Hill Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hillman, Cedarvale Mansions, spent the week-end in Belle Ewart.

Samuel Soltz, Baltimore, Md., was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Soltz, Manning Avenue, for a few days last week.

Mrs. J. Cohen, Euclid Avenue, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Stein, of Bradford.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kamin, of Lima, Ohio, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Kamin, Borden Street.

I. Sidenberg, Dovercourt Road, has left to spend the summer with his brother, Dr. B. Sidenberg, of Detroit.

Ethel Stulberg, Baldwin Street, has returned from a three weeks' trip to Detroit.

S. Berkovitz, the singer, has returned from a visit to Detroit and Montreal.

Mrs. Abraham Greenbaum and daughter, Marylin Joyce, are spending a few months with her mother in Philadelphia.

Miss Ann Skolnik, Pinecrest Road, was hostess at a bridge and linen shower on Sunday afternoon, in honour of her sister, Miss Beck Skolnik, a bride-elect of this month. Nine tables were played and prizes won by Misses Alice Ellenson, Lena Goldstein, Shirley Jacobs and Norma Gelson.

Mrs. D. Kertzer, Grace Street, is visiting in Detroit for several weeks.

Jack M. Franks, of Chicago, Ill., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kasman, Kendal Avenue, for a week.

Mrs. A. Osler, Beverley Street, gave a dinner party on Sunday, in honour of Miss Jennie Enushevsky, a bride-elect.

Mrs. William Brown, Earlscourt Avenue, entertained Sunday evening.

Mrs. Robert G. Cohen and son, of Windsor, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Perlman, Ossington Avenue.

Among the out-of-town guests who attended the Kossin-Lieberman wedding on Wednesday, were Mr. and Mrs. W. Kossin, Miss Tillie Kossin and Dr. Leon Kossin, all of New York; Mrs. M. Circle and Miss Esther Circle, of Kingston; Mrs. A. Zivian, of Gananoque; Mrs. I. Zivian, of Ottawa; Selig Oppenheim and Miss Sarah Oppenheim, of Chicago; and M. Shapiro, of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Wagman, Westmount Avenue, motored to New York and Atlantic City for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bernstein, of Belleville, spent the week-end in town.

Mrs. David Burke (nee Eva Smith) and children, of Milwaukee, are visiting her mother, Mrs. I. Smith, 668 Indian Road.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pritzker, MacLean Avenue, entertained at dinner on Monday, in honour of Miss Jennie Enushevsky and M. Sachs, of Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Shevelle and daughter, who were registered at the King Edward for the past few months, are spending a few days in London, enroute to their summer home in Port Stanley.

Miss Rosette Houzer, nurse-in-training at the Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houzer, Spadina Road.

Mrs. H. Ginsler, Danforth Avenue, is entertaining at bridge on Saturday evening at a down-town tea room.

Mrs. I. R. Slavin, of Winnipeg, who was the guest of Mrs. Samuel Sternberg, Glenholme Avenue, has left for Cleveland, Ohio.

Arthur A. Markus, of Montreal, spent the week-end in Toronto.

Dr. Z. Zoden, of Buffalo, was registered at the King Edward Hotel over the week-end.

Dan Nusbaum and Dave Nusbaum, of Rochester, spent the week-end in town.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Weiss, Huron Street, returned home on Wednesday from Mount Clemens.

Miss Nettie Clavir, Highview Crescent, entertained at a miscellaneous shower on Wednesday evening, in honour of Miss Pearl Brown, a June bride.

Miss Sophia Kening, Ossington Avenue, entertained at bridge and whist on Tuesday last. Four tables were played, in honour of her cousin, Miss Pauline Kuperman, of Chicago. Prizes were won by Misses Fanny Valinsky, Anna Rosen, Bessie Boorsook; consolation, Clara Greenberg.

Miss Fay Moskowitz entertained at her summer home in Long Branch, May 25. Covers were laid for forty. The guests were entertained at a weiner roast in the evening. The hostess was assisted by Misses Carrie Lieberman and Beth Gorvoy.

Leonard J. Nusbaum and Walter Wagner, of Rochester, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. James, Admiral Road, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Rosenbloom and daughter, of Buffalo, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Blumenthal, Regal Road.

Mrs. L. Chankin and son, Lawrence, Bracondale Hill Road, have left on a motor trip to New York, where they will spend a few weeks.

Miss Sadye Brody, Walmer Road, spent the week-end in Hamilton.

Mrs. A. Coppleman, of Montreal, was registered at the King Edward Hotel for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bloom, Queen Street West, returned home on Sunday, after six weeks' stay in New York.

Mrs. Philip Pritzker, Bolton Avenue, gave a miscellaneous shower on Sunday evening, in honour of Miss Jennie Enushevsky.

Mrs. M. Liss, Barton Avenue, entertained at bridge on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Cohen and daughters, Jennie and Sophie, Palmerston Boulevard, motored to Rochester over the week-end.

Mr. Morgan, of Buffalo, stopped at the King Edward Hotel during the week-end.

Mrs. R. J. Sapera, Lauder Avenue, entertained on Thursday afternoon last, in honour of the ninth birthday of her daughter, Meryl. Children present were Cecile Till, Rhodelle Sapera, Minnie Fibus, Rita and Zelma Alexander, Lucille Greenberg, Lucille Singer, Estelle Winkler, Freda Foreman, Mildred Mitchell, Ruth Clavir, Myra Solway, Rhoda Rainstein, Frances Lederman, Helen Tobias, Jules Lovitz, Wilfred Fibus, Wilfred Lederman, Leonard Cohen, Howard Mitchel, Irving Goodman, Paul Greenberg, Yvonne Sadowski and Leonard Lederman.

Mrs. A. Newman, of St. Catharines, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. R. Ofstein, Cameron Street.

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Miss Marcia Andrews, Euclid Avenue, returned home from St. Catharines where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoffman.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Rubenstein, of Detroit, motored here for the week-end.

Joseph Andrews, of Detroit, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Andrews, Euclid Avenue.

J. Ross and family, Bracondale Hill Road, spent the week-end in Belle Ewart.

Mrs. Frank Goldhar and Mrs. B. Hillman, Cedarvale Mansions, entertained the Deborah Chapter of Hadassah at a meeting in the form of a bridge, on Tuesday evening last.

Mrs. B. W. Cbon, of Chicago, who was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. Cohen, Hilton Avenue, has returned home.

Mrs. D. Vine, Cedarvale Mansions, entertained at bridge on Monday afternoon, in honour of Miss Rosetta Houser of New York.

Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Rower, of Buffalo, N.Y. (nee Esther Eisen), spent the week-end in Toronto.

Mrs. Herman Hutner, Spadina Road, entertained at luncheon at the Primrose Club and theatre party on Wednesday afternoon last.

Mrs. J. Blumenthal, Northcliffe Boulevard, entertained at the tea hour on Saturday, in honour of her sister, Mrs. S. Stitt, of Fort William. Mrs. D. Levinne poured tea; and Mrs. Percy Hermant cut the ices. They were assisted by Misses Esther Keyfetz, Evelyn Moss, Deborah Levinne, Celia Andrews and Sadie Blumenthal. Miss Clarice Mitchel played the violin.

Louis N. Sukloff motored to Markham, Ont., over the week-end.

Miss Esther Keyfetz, Northcliffe Boulevard, entertained at bridge on Monday afternoon, in honour of her cousin, Mrs. S. Stitt, of Fort William. Prizes were won by Mrs. S. Fine and Mrs. M. Bernstein. Mrs. Stitt was presented with a guest prize.

Miss Freda Shapiro spent the week-end with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lavene, of Buffalo.

A birthday surprise party was given on Sunday, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. D. Kertzer, Grace Street.

Miss Anna Kamin, Borden Street, and Mrs. I. S. Pinkerton, of Brookline, Mass., accompanied Mr. and Mrs. S. Kamin, of Lima, Ohio, on a motor trip to Windsor and Detroit.

Mrs. Charles Levy, Edgewood Avenue, has as her guest her mother, Mrs. S. Tamarin, of Philadelphia.

Miss Sara Lewis, of Montreal, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. M. Wolfson, Glebe Road.

H. M. Enushevsky, of Galt, is visiting K. Ginsberg, of Detroit

Among the guests at the Community House, St. George Street, to attend the debate were: President of the Y.W.H.A. of Buffalo, Miss Mildred Winer; debaters, Misses Jessie D. Swerdloff and Goldie Kaiser, and Misses Esther Chackow, Goldie Nowack, Dorothy Strauss, Ida Gutman, Sadie Chiplowitz and Ida Carrel, all of Buffalo. The guests were entertained by the Adelaide Girls on Saturday evening, the Girls' Club on Sunday evening, and by Mrs. Percy Hermant, at dinner on Sunday and drive around the city in the afternoon, together with the Toronto debaters, Misses Annie Chaiken and Bryna Babitch, Miss Adelaide E. Cohen, director of the Club, and Miss Annie Nyman, president of the Adelaide Girls. The Buffalo debaters were successful. A return debate will be held in Buffalo some time in the fall

A banquet was tendered Rabbi and Mrs. B. R. Brickner by sixty members of the Junior Society of Holy Blossom Synagogue, Saturday evening, May 30, in the synagogue chambers. Lionel Singer was toastmaster. Toasts: To the Congregation, by Lawrence Hutton, responded to by Leo Frankel; to the Sisterhood, by Monte Beder, responded to Mrs. Harry Marks, president of the Sisterhood; to the visitors, by Bay Hutton, responded to by Israel Singer; to the Junior Society, by Harry Singer, responded to by Arthur Cohen; to the guests, Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner, by Martin Cohen, respinded to by Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner. Formal dance.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kasman, 124 Kendal Avenue, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Jean, to Jack M. Franks, of Chicago, Ill., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Franks, of London, England. Wedding, August 18.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordon, Lisgar Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Bessie, to Louis Klotz, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Klotz, Queen Street East.

MARRIAGE

Peskin-Lurie

Conrad Lurie, of Cleveland, Ohio (formerly of Toronto), announces the marriage of his only daughter, Mae Ruth, to William Peskin, son of Mrs. Rose Peskin and the late Mr. Peskin, of New York City, on May 31.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Max Rotenberg, 334 Rushton Road, at the Toronto General Hospital, on Saturday, May 30, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. S. Yolles (nee Mary Wilder), Humewood Court, at the Toronto General Hospital, Saturday, May 30, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. N. Roth (nee Clara Weinstein), 51 Shaw Street, at the Western Hospital, on Monday, May 11, a son.

T.H.B.S.

On Sunday, May 31, the Chevra Kadisha of the T.H.B.S. held their twenty-first annual meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Deitchman, Manning Avenue. Supper was prepared by the committee and served to fifty members. Abraham Shia, one of the members of the Folks' Union, gave a talk. Installation of officers followed: Gobbi, Charles Scher; vice-gobbi, L. Miller; secretary, S. Sobel; treasurer, Mr. Goldman; trustees, B. Hoffman, Mr. Breitstein and O. Bochnek.

"THE GOLDEN BALL"

The outstanding number in the Players' Club revue, "The Cuckoo Clock," given this past week at the Hart House Theatre, University of Toronto, is "The Golden Ball," by Dr. Henry Borsook. As in "The Three Weddings of a Hunchback," by the same author, presented at Hart House Theatre last year, the scene is laid in the ghetto. Dr. Borsook received the degree of doctor of philosophy last year and leads his class in first year medicine this year.

CENTRAL CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

Food sale, Tuesday, May 26, 1925, conveners and assistants. Meat: Mrs. Salkovitz, Mrs. Fink, Miss Salkovitz; fresh and canned fruits: Mrs. Hershberg, Mrs. Shalof; fish: Mrs. Finston; cheese cake: Mrs. Brownstein; dairy booth: Mrs. Solway, Mrs. Merofchik, Mrs. Selick; cake: Mrs. S. Himmel, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Shapiro, Mrs. Garfunkel, Mrs. J. Cohen, Mrs. Shapiro; candy: Mrs. Garbe, Mrs. Labovitz; bread and noodles: Mrs. E. Levy, Mrs. Goldhar, Mrs. Weil; handkerchiefs: Misses Sylvia Kertzer, Amelia Ader, Jessie Kertzer, Rhoda Breslin; bridge: Mrs. Hansher, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Sagman; cafeteria: Mrs. Abramovitz, Mrs. Fine, Mrs. Narrol, Mrs. Geller, Mrs. Nusbaum, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. L. Kamarner, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Wolf, Mrs. Lazaresco, Miss Rose Ellias, Rose Abramovitz, Miss Mary Kaplansky, Toby Ellias, Evelyn Breslin, Yona Ard; door committee: Mrs. Fosen, Mrs. Dolgoff, Miss Sack; raffles: Miss Sylvia Kertzer. Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. Shayne; convener, Mrs. L. M. Schwartz; publicity, Mrs. M. Wolfson. $550.00 was realized.

Winners of raffles at Central Hadassah food sale: Cake and apron, Mr. Caiserman; bread, Mrs. D. Dunkelman; cake, Mrs. Selick; candy, Mrs. Barret; cake, Mrs. Kaplan; chicken, Mrs. J. Smith; cake, Mrs. Debb; basket fruit, Freda Schwartz; cake, Mrs. Himmel; cake, Miss Salkovitz; strudel, Mrs. Sagman; box of candy, Mrs. H. Kamarner; box of candy, Miss Levy; cake, Mrs. Harris.

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Chief Rabbi Hertz has returned from Palestine where he was present at the opening of the Hebrew University. It is told that the Chief Rabbi had prepared an elaborate address to be delivered on that occasion and copies of this address were secured by various London newspapers in advance. The time, however, did not permit for the delivery of the address and cables had to be dispatched to all the newspapers not to print the address. In spite of this, several journals reproduced the address which was not delivered, to the annoyance of the Chief Rabbi.

Senator Luigi Luzzatti, former Premier of Italy, was elected honorary president of the international Parliamentary Trade Conference which held its sessions in Rome.

HADASSAH

Herzl Girls met Tuesday, May 26. Mrs. Dunkelman and Mrs. Schiffer visited the Chapter. Mrs. Schiffer spoke on National Fund. Lists were distributed. Nomination of officers.

Herzl Girls held a musicale Sunday, May 31, at the Zionist Building. Those who assisted were: Esther Bloomin, piano; Gelsin Bros., violin; Ada Levinson, piano; Isadore Felderman, violin and Miss Edith Ginsberg, dancing.

Central chapter of Hadassah executive and committee meeting, Monday afternoon, June 1. Invitations are out for a dinner and programme, Monday, June 8, at 6.30, at the Zionist Institute. Reservations with Mrs. Winestein, Tr. 7275-W.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

Council of Jewish Women, spring fete and bridge, June 16, at the home of Mrs. Joseph Singer, Ward's Island, special boat leaves foot of Bay Street at 2.10 p.m. Tickets from Mrs. L. B. Levetus, Hillcrest 0974.

SHABUOTH PARTY

The Beaches' Auxiliary held a Shabuoth party, Sunday, May 31, at the Beaches' Institute, for the children of the district 125 guests were present. In the programme were: Sophie Kate, piano solo; Milton Birnbaum, piano; dancing, Faye Levy; recitation, Edith Stein; recitation duet, Anne Ramm and Frances Lewis; piano, Gertrude Brown; recitation, Raphael Wolfe. Dr. Sam Leslie spoke on Shabuoth. Arrangement committee: Mrs. R. Schwartz and Mrs. J. Shalof, assisted by the girls of the Junior League, Ruth Pritzker, Annebell Shalof, Frances Schwartz.

HEBREW MATERNITY AID

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Hebrew Maternity Aid Society (child welfare), was a testimonial luncheon, Wednesday, May 27, at the Primrose Club, in honour of Mrs. M. S. Till and Mrs. I. H. Siegel. A gift was presented to each. Meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. H. Clavir. The following read their reports on the year's work: Mrs. H. Clavir, president; Mrs. L. Yolles, who reported on Weston Sanatorium cottage; Mrs. D. Levine, recording secretary; Mrs. M. Johnson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. Narol, convener of cases; Mrs. M. Barret, in absence of Mrs. S. C. Yolles, read the treasurer's report; Mrs. M. S. Till reported on Rest Home activities, and Mrs. B. Bergman, secretary's report, Mrs. A. Samuel, treasurer of Rest Home, read the auditor's report. Work covered for the year was: twelve babies boarded out; twenty-eight pairs of eyeglasses supplied; 8,730 quarts of milk supplied to needy families; fifty-seven layettes; fifty cases received milk and provisions; four cases received bedding. Election of officers: honorary president, Mrs. I. H. Siegel; president, Mrs. H. Clavir; vice-presidents, Mrs. M. S. Till, Mrs. L. Yolles Mrs. Narol, Mrs. Lewis; treasurer, Mrs. S. C. Yolles, recording secretary, Mrs. M. Johnson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. Mannis. Executive committee to be appointed at opening meeting in September. The new wing of the Rest Home opens June 14, at Bronte. Basket picnic.

NORDAU GIRLS

The Nordau Girls' Club elected officers Sunday, May 31: president, Miss Celia Katzman; vice-president, Miss Esther Rickman; secretary, Miss Florence Goldstein; treasurer, Miss Ida Rashkofsky; social committee, Misses Ethel Rubenstein, Rose Rosenberg and Minnie Soupcoff.

YATANA GIRLS

The Yatana Girls' Club held their first social entertainment Saturday evening, May 23, at the home of Miss Dora Cohen, Border Street.

BNAI ZION

At Zionist Hall the Bnai Zion discussed Toronto's part in the 100,000 dunam land yearly campaign undertaken by the National Fund Head Office in Jerusalem. A campaign will be undertaken here in the fall. Honourable Mr. Justice Riddle, hooour guest, spoke on subject "Canada", and expressed the hope that Palestine will become a free dominion. Morrey Abramowitz was presented with a framed Colonial Trust Share on his bar-mitzvah. He thanked the Bnai Zion. Mr. Denberg moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Riddle, and Mr. Gurofsky seconded the motion. Miss Morris sang.

LODGE ELECTION

Sunnyside Lodge, I.O.O.F., elected as officers: S. Eisen, J.P.G.; B. Freed, N.G.; H. Landau, V.G.; H. Goldstein, recording secretary; S. Dorskind, financial secretary; I. Schlein, treasurer.

MAXWELL GIRLS

On Wednesday, May 27, the Maxwell Girls' Club held a bridge at the home of Miss M. Goldman, 281 Crawford Street. The prizes were won by Misses H. Kall and N. Handler.

HATIKVAH GROUP

The Hatikvah group membership drive, girls fifteen and over, must attend high school. Phone Miss Scheckter, Gerrard 8291-M or Trinity 0517-J.

ORGANIZE TO FURTHER SYNAGOGUE MUSIC

New York.—A committee consisting of five of the leading Jewish musicians of this country met on Monday evening, May 18, at Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, to discuss plans for the organization of a society to be known as the "Society for the Advancement of Synagogical Music." The committee assembled at the request of Reuben R. Rinder, Cantor of Temple Emanuel, of San Francisco.

Among the aims of this organization are plans to raise the standards of synagogue music in the temples and synagogues of America. Every year a leading musician will be commissioned to write a service or some new musical setting to important texts. Prize contests will also be held. Religious school music is to be developed. This new organization has already been promised the support of some of the leading temples in the country.

According to the memorandum submitted, the purposes of the Society were outlined as follows:

1. To create a musical literature for the synagogue.
2. To provide the means by which the highest standard of synagogical music may be developed.
3. To stimulate the interest among musicians in the musical service of the synagogue.
4. To furnish composers with texts for musical settings, either biblical, liturgical (Sephardic, Ashkenazic or according to Union Prayer Book), verses from the Piyutim, or modern Hebrew poetry.
5. To offer a yearly prize for the best original synagogical composition.
6. To commission from time to time Jewish composers of highest standing to write a complete service for the synagogue.
7. To compile and edit a hymnal for use in the service and in the Sunday schools.
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THE PALESTINE COMMUNITIES' ORDINANCE

It is now nearly five years since the Jewish communities in Palestine have been asking the British Government to ratify an ordinance which they have adopted with regard to a more compact union of the various Jewish settlements in the land. The main point in this request is the right to tax the inhabitants of any town for the purpose of maintaining the communal organizations and institutions. The High Commissioner referred the ratification of this ordinance to the Colonial Office and there it has been buried, in spite of repeated efforts made by Zionist leaders to have it revived and acted upon. The many changes in the British Government during the past few years helped to delay the matter and every new Colonial Secretary was hesitant about carrying out the wishes of the Jewish population in this matter.

The subject formed one of the main topics of discussion in the recent interview which Mr. Amery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, granted to a deputation of Jews while visiting Palestine. Mr. Amery showed himself keenly interested in the matter and alert to its difficulties. He questioned the right of the government to enforce unity upon a religious community, and intimated that when there was a dissenting party, referring to the Agudas Israel, the political power should be very careful in imposing any rules that would be distasteful to that party. Mr. Ben-Zevi stressed the point that the communities' representatives are elected by 80 per cent. of the Jewish residents, and Dr. Thon brought out the point that there is no intention to curtail liberty of conscience. They maintained that every part of community has the liberty to introduce its own religious institutions according to its financial power. What they want is that the general administration of affairs should be united. He referred to other countries where the same principle has been introduced. In reply to Colonel Kish's remark that there could be only one Jewish Community in the National Home, Mr. Amery said: "I think that the essential element of the National Home was laid down in the Churchill Memorandum, viz., that the opportunity of developing a national cultural life in this country should be one of right and international recognition, and not simply depend upon the good will of the majority of the population here in Palestine. That is, of course, the issue between the Mandatory power and the deputation which I received this morning (the Arab deputation). But beyond that I am not sure how far the Mandatory Power is justified in enforcing uniformity. I agree in the desirability of that uniformity, and it may be that what we are able to do in connection with the Community Ordinance will facilitate that uniformity, but I do not think that you can ask the British Government to enforce that uniformity."

Mr. Amery further impressed upon the delegation that "the Jewish National Home in Palestine has to live together with the Arab National Home in this country, both co-operating in the common Palestinian nationality and patriotism." He said, however, that he is prepared to assist each community in its endeavour to solve its peculiar problems, and that he realized that the problems of the Jewish community in Palestine are quite different from those in England, where common citizenship overshadows other differences and promised to give all the demands put forth in their memorandum the most careful attention and to meet the most essential aspects of these demands.

The attitude of Mr. Amery as revealed both in his reply to the Arab and the Jewish delegations has been severely criticised by the London Jewish Chronicle on the ground of his interpretation of the Jewish National Home clause, which is believed to be contrary to the spirit of the Mandate. The official organ of the Zionist administration, the New Judaea, is more optimistic in its comments, although even there it is not denied that the Jews have perhaps more cause to complain against the British interpretation of the Mandate than the Arabs have.

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Seven hundred and seventy-five Jewish families, 3,306 souls, former city dwellers and petty traders, who migrated from various parts of Russia to settle on land offered by the government in the Odessa region, were given substantial assistance toward the accomplishment of their purpose by the Odessa committee of the ORT.

The number of such migrants would have been larger, if the distribution of land in the Odessa region had not been temporarily suspended. This occurred in July, 1924, and since that time 1,820 families, 8,975 souls, have registered at the Odessa ORT offices as intending to settle on farms.

The work of the ORT among the new Jewish farmers in this section varied. First and foremost, the ORT helped them to secure desirable acreage, and even to secure better land than had been, in the first instance, allotted to them. All of the negotiations of these farmer groups with the government were carried on through the ORT. After the groups had been settled, the ORT furnished them with expert agriculturists who instructed them in the proper methods of farming. These instructors helped the new settlers to begin operations and furnished them with excellent seed. The result of this co-operation is already manifest.

CONFERENCE OF AGUDAH AND ZIONISTS IN LONDON

The conference which was held in London recently between representatives of the Agudas Israel and of the Zionist Organization, with a view of coming to a clearer understanding between the two organizations, concluded apparently without much substantial accomplishments. With regard to the Palestine Community Ordinance, against which the Agudah has been most insistent, it was decided to appoint a commission, consisting of legal advisers, to find ways and means of reaching a satisfactory solution. This commission will meet in Vienna and submit its findings to the competent organs of both organizations. The question of the participation of the Agudah in the Jewish Agency was also discussed, but no conclusion was reached, and it was agreed to continue the discussion at a later period. On the question of immigration and land purchase in Palestine, agreement was reached on the basis of proposals submitted by the sub-commission appointed to deal with these questions, subject to the approval of both parties.

The Palestine Vaad Haleumi decided at a recent session not to present the question of the Community Ordinance to the Zionist Congress in Vienna, as was suggested to them by Dr. Weizmann. The Vaad Haleumi claims that this is an internal Palestine problem and should be settled in Palestine.

Folk Music of the Jews

By HENRY GIDEON

Is there a Jewish folk song? What are the characteristics of this folk song, if it exists, and to what extent have the peoples who have wrought so mightily upon the destinies of the Jew influenced his music?

The Jews as a people have no folk music. The Jew in Germany has long since become a German, in England he is an Englishman, in America an American. And so he sings the songs of the country of his adoption, and his specifically Jewish contribution is lost forever. The only characteristic songs of the Jews are, first a few liturgical fragments in common use in the synagogue —cantillations which are probably closely akin to the chants of Biblical times, but are not to be classed as folk music—and secondly, the Yiddish folk songs. (True, certain investigators, like the eminent Lazare Saminsky, find specimens of characteristic Jewish music in remote parts of the world. But for the present discussion these little known specimens of little known Jewish folk music must be ignored.) The Yiddish folk song is the musical expression of the Jew in Russia who lives a life apart from the rest of the world, thrust back upon himself, shut in with himself, forced to find in his own life the material of the songs he himself shall make and sing and perhaps himself alone shall hear.

These songs are seldom irresponsibly gay, though there are many cheerful and merry ones. Their keynote is rather that of a meditative gravity. One strange and significant thing is that there are no nature songs, no songs of hearty outdoor occupation, such as we find among other peoples. The whole trend of thought and expression is subjective rather than objective. The Anglo-Saxon, seeing the flower lying by the wayside, picks it up without more ado; the Italian picks it up on a high B natural and puts it in his button-hole; but the Jew looking at the blossom lying in the dust, shakes his head sadly, and sings: "Little flower, thy name is Israel; like my race thou wilt be trodden in the earth and none will have pity on thee, though thou diest."

This grave and meditative turn runs through even those songs that one might expect to be the simplest and most unconscious. Mother sings her baby boy to sleep with a lullaby full of a fervent and touching hope that he may become wise, learned and pious. The child's trade is disposed of in a word—he is to barter almonds and raisins. But what is better than almonds and raisins? The Torah, the Holy Word of God, is the best possession. And Yankele shall study the Torah; he shall be learned, and shall walk in the way of wisdom; but, above all things, he shall remain a pious and faithful Jew forever. Of course, if the baby is a girl, such prayers and promises are not for her. But she, too, has her destiny to fulfill. "Go to sleep, my little bird, close your pretty eyes. You shall grow to be a lady; your clothes shall be of the finest; you shall have just such a little baby as yourself."

When the little boy is four or five years old he is sent to "Cheder," the Jewish school, where he will learn Hebrew, and study the Torah, as his mother promised him while he was yet in the cradle. The little room is warm, the air drowsy; the teacher sits among the boys, teaching them their A B C. "Come sonny, pay attention. Learn your lesson well—I'll give a fine toy to the first boy among you who can read Hebrew! Come, now, A, B, C—A, B, C."

The girl does not go to Cheder. Enough for her to help with the household tasks—and think about the important matters of a husband! She says in one of her songs: "Mother, find a husband for me!"

"There's plenty of time for that yet, daughterkin."

"At least, Mother dear, be thinking it over—don't put it off too long."

Or: "Rather than marry a rich man I'll take Herzl. He's poor, but he's so handsome, and he's a faithful worker; everything is worth while if I have him."

The traditional devotion to learning, so characteristic of the Jewish race, comes out again and again in the songs —even the song of the little girl in pigtails and short frocks. Someone asks her:

"Will you marry a tailor?" "I won't marry a tailor—I don't belong to that kind of a family!" "A merchant?" "No." "A carpenter? A shoemaker? A musician?" "None of these—none of my people has been any of these things! But I'm very unhappy and very lonely —all the other girls are getting married and I'm left alone."

"Will you marry a scholar?"

At last! The very one she has wanted all along!

"Yes, indeed, I'll marry a scholar! O happy day! Now I'll go up and sit on the roof, and look around me and laugh for joy. All the girls are getting married and I'm as well off as they!"

The wedding songs are often—in fact, usually—humorous, and the wedding dance-tunes, though sometimes mournful, are far more frequently lively in character. There is the song of the poor little old auntie, who comes uninvited to the wedding. The musicians are there. They came to play. They are not paid by the host—for he is the father of the bride, and he has enough on his hands since he is footing the bill for the ceremonies—and the supper! But if the fiddlers come they will get good things to eat, and, besides, every guest who wants to dance will drop a coin or two into the fiddler's hands. Auntie comes into the room. She is poor; she has only a few pennies; she has not been invited. But who needs an invitation? Not she! It is her kinsfolks' wedding—and she will pay her way like anyone else. She gives the fiddlers a penny. They take it, you may be sure! "I told them the dance I wanted—no old Kasatsky, such as the Russians dance, but something up-to-date and stylish." They play. She dances till she is tired. "I'm only a poor old woman," she says, "but I'm still as sprightly as the best of you!"

Many are the jokes on the poor rabbi. "Something happened at the rabbi's house? What was it? Oh, dear; oh, dear! A robbery!"

"What did the thieves get?"

"Alas, alas! they took away seven splendid shirts, four with holes and three with patches. Ah, that was a robbery!"

"And what else did they take?"

"Worse and worse. Seven handsome candlesticks, that shone like stars; four of them had no feet to stand on, three had no cups to hold the candles—oh, dear; was there ever such a robbery?"

The soldier songs are often a pathetic expression of the trials of the Jew in Russia. They are always mournful—not because the Jew must fight, but because he must fight for a race, a religion, a country, in which he has no place or part. Even worse then this—if he must serve Russia he cannot serve Zion and Zion's God in the fashion of his fathers, but must violate his most sacred traditions and live in a fashion which is, according to his religion, infamous and impious. He cannot keep the feasts and fasts of his own faith, but, even on the high and hold days, must eat food which is to him unclean, ritually unfit for any but the heathen, in whose midst he must eat it. And when, after his three years of military service, he returns to his own people, only after long purification can he be again the clean and honoured Jew he was before, and his reproach pass from him.

It is this which moulds the Jew's thought of military service—not fear of death, nor hatred, nor [illegible] for glory. And to mother, wife [illegible] of the Jew, what does mi[illegible] Possibly [illegible]

lonely, unprotected struggle and heartbreak. The wife sings, "Things are not good any more. It was an evil day when they tore you from me to serve the Czar. Now what shall I do; what will become of me through such a long, weary time?" A young girl sings, "I stand by my window and a little bird comes flying to me. What does he bring me? A letter from my lover." She reads in the first line that her lover is lost; in the second that her lover is dead. She drops the letter, and goes wailing to tell the bitter news abroad. "Come, everyone who has known a sorrow, take mine, come and help me mourn." To be sure, there will be enough mourners and to spare, in that tiny village on the bitter, frozen Russian plains!

Nearly all the Yiddish songs are sung quietly and softly, for the enemy is at the gate. And they are nearly all in the minor mode, or in the old modes which we know to-day through the Gregorian chant and the church music of the middle ages. The open, joyous major mode is little used in these songs. The major is the mode of a free people, singing aloud, walking without [illegible]. "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange

In character some of the music is unmistakably Germanic. More of it is evidently the assimilation of Russian folk songs with a certain orientalism superadded, and the line and colour of the melody remoulded to conform to the exigencies of the text. Few of these songs are more then three centuries old. They have [illegible] since the Jew has been dwelling in his latter-day Egypt.

They are the songs of exile.

Within the confines of the Russian ghetto, the Jew has sung these songs, whether his own in substance or the transformed melodies of lands not his own. Always the words are his own, springing from his own life and thought, expressing himself deeply and truly. And still in these dark days the songs continue. Still the Jew treasures his race consciousness, which has endured for more than two thousand years.

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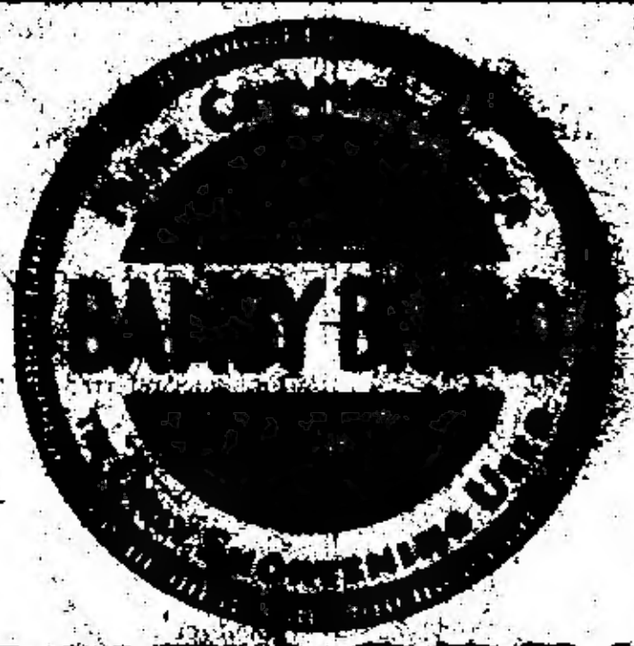

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